Connecticut Children's Medical Center (Connecticut Children's) invites inquires, nominations, and expressions of interest for the Chief Research Officer (CRO), to lead the organization in all aspects of child and maternal health services research. We would highly value your thoughts of outstanding candidates for this position.

Connecticut Children's is uniquely positioned in a competitive region for pediatric healthcare as the only freestanding independent children's hospital between Boston and Philadelphia with satellite facilities throughout Connecticut and Western Massachusetts. The not-for-profit academic medical center (187 beds) is the home of the University of Connecticut School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics. Offering a broad range of services, Connecticut Children's is the principal training site not only for pediatrics, but for the pediatric components of many other graduate medical education programs. Additionally, Connecticut Children's has recently developed an outstanding research partnership with The Jackson Laboratory which is world renowned for its genomic research. *U.S. News & World Report* consistently ranks Connecticut Children's as one of the nation's "Best Children's Hospitals."

James Shmerling is the newly appointed CEO of Connecticut Children's, and in partnership with Juan C. Salazar, MD, (Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Chair of Pediatrics) they are aggressively expanding research as an important part of the organization's growth strategy. The organization is committed to make Connecticut's children the healthiest in the nation; to do so, Connecticut Children's has invested in a partnership, growth and fundraising model to foster a vibrant research enterprise and expand access across the region to world-class pediatric healthcare.

The role of the CRO at Connecticut Children's is to provide research vision and leadership within the hospital and its growing academic and corporate partnerships across the region and state. Successful candidates will possess a MD or PhD in a relevant discipline and be well-established researchers with a track record of faculty mentorship and leadership of a research enterprise. A strong focus in health services research linking diagnosis, treatment, interventions and outcomes to improve the quality of child and maternal health is preferred.

Nominations and applications, including a c.v. and letter of interest can be sent in confidence to Connecticut Children's executive search consultant Joyce De Leo, PhD, Witt/Kieffer at <u>CTChildrensCRO@wittkieffer.com</u>; or Sarah Olsen by phone 630-575-6177.