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POSTDOCTORAL POSITION: PHARMACOEPIDEMIOLOGY

The Johns Hopkins Center for Drug Safety and Effectiveness is pleased to announce a new, self-funded position for a post-doctoral research fellow that offers advanced training at one of the leading Schools of Public Health in the world. The Fellow will join a diverse group of faculty and trainees spanning the Bloomberg School of Public Health and Johns Hopkins Medicine whose scholarly investigations focus on drug safety, effectiveness and utilization. This one to two year post-doctoral opportunity is structured to provide advanced mentoring and training opportunities commensurate with the Fellow’s skills, content interest and career goals. Fellows will sit within the Department of Epidemiology at the School of Public Health, with the possibility for secondary affiliations in the Schools of Medicine, Nursing or Arts and Sciences, depending upon the Fellow’s professional background and training.

Under the guidance of a primary mentor, fellows are expected to concentrate on their own investigations, although there will also be abundant opportunities for collaboration with core faculty of the Center for Drug Safety and Effectiveness. All fellows are expected to have the requisite skills to work with considerable independence through the design, analysis and interpretation of scientific investigations, and to produce fundamental new knowledge through impactful peer-reviewed publications, professional presentations and other academic products. The Fellowship will also provide abundant opportunities for participation in mentoring, training and supervision of master’s and doctoral level candidates within the School of Public Health, as well as clinical fellows and pharmacists within Johns Hopkins Medicine.

Required:

1. External funding to support the costs of an NIH-stipend and health insurance
2. An MD, PhD in epidemiology, or equivalent degree in a related field that provides formal training on advanced quantitative research methods
3. Prior experience in pharmacoepidemiology and drug safety, including data analysis and evidence of peer-reviewed publications
4. Clear interest in a defined area of expertise
5. Strong desire for scholarly investigations and lifelong learning
6. Excellent written and verbal communication skills
Applicants will also be judged on the basis of:
1. A personal statement indicating focused career goals
2. Strong letters of recommendation
3. An outstanding academic record
4. Successful relevant research experience

Consideration will also be given to leadership potential. In the personal statement, applicants should summarize their research experience, indicate how the Fellowship will help them achieve their professional goals and detail their research plan for the fellowship year(s). Qualified candidates will be interviewed in person or by telephone.

About the Center for Drug Safety and Effectiveness
The Johns Hopkins Center for Drug Safety and Effectiveness serves as a nexus for individuals at Johns Hopkins University who are committed to innovative research, education, clinical programs and public service to improve prescription drug use and pharmaceutical policy in the United States and around the world. Drawing on the combined expertise of the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, the Center’s core faculty are reflective of the unparalleled human capital at Johns Hopkins University and reflect content and methodological expertise in areas ranging from pharmacovigilence to regulatory policy. The Center was launched in October 2012 and is co-directed by G. Caleb Alexander, MD, MS and Jodi Segal, MD, MPH, with Sonal Singh, MD, MPH serving as Associate Director. To learn more about the center, visit our website at www.jhsph.edu/cdse.

Interested applicants should submit a personal statement, curriculum vitae and two letters of recommendation. For more information or to submit application materials, please contact us at cdse@jhsph.edu.

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