

Faculty Position
Research Program in Chronic Disease and Obesity Prevention

Department of Population Medicine
Harvard Medical School and
Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute

Instructor or Assistant or Associate Professor

The Department of Population Medicine seeks a faculty member to expand its portfolio of research on chronic disease and obesity prevention. This faculty member will initiate and participate in collaborative research focused on weight-related or metabolic conditions such as obesity and diabetes. Areas of active investigation include: surveillance of trends in risk factors or disease; etiologic research into the underlying causes of chronic diseases at individual and population levels, with a particular focus on the developmental origins of health and disease (DOHaD); interventions to prevent or treat these chronic diseases; health services and policy research; and new methods for the application or evaluation of these approaches.

The ideal candidate for this position will have the following qualifications:

- MD plus MPH (or comparable advanced degree), or doctorate in appropriate field (epidemiology, nutrition, behavioral or social sciences, health policy)
- A record of high quality peer-reviewed publications
- Ability to lead and work in multi-disciplinary teams
- Interest and skills appropriate for writing grant proposals to multiple funding agencies
- Strong interpersonal and leadership skills

Demonstrated capacity for obtaining research funding, program development, and leadership in research and teaching is desirable, but not required.

Besides her/his principal research activities, the faculty member will also be expected to spend a portion of time participating in the broader missions of the department and medical school as follows:

- Teach and mentor medical students, graduate students, and/or research fellows
- Establish and maintain collegial and productive contacts with other researchers and educators in the university and within existing research partnerships
- Contribute to departmental administration as a member of committees

The Department of Population Medicine (DPM) is jointly sponsored by Harvard Medical School and the Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute and focuses on research and teaching related to improving population health and health care delivery. The department is multi-disciplinary, with a research and teaching portfolio spanning a range of clinical, educational, and health service areas. The DPM is home to a number of rich data resources and has numerous strong local and national connections that amplify the opportunities for and impact of its research. It has a longstanding collaborative

relationship with Atrius Health, eastern Massachusetts' largest fully computerized multispecialty group practice. It participates in a number of national collaborative research networks, including the Health Care Systems Research Network (HCSRN). It is currently leading a consortium of 28 institutions in the FDA-funded Sentinel project and is part of the Coordinating Center for the National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network (PCORnet).

Clinicians may include part-time practice in their activities. Joint appointment in a second Harvard Medical School department or at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health may be appropriate.

Candidates should send their CV and statement of research interests by mail to:

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