

**Department of Health and Human Services**  
**National Institutes of Health**  
***Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development**  
**Division of Intramural Population Health Research**

**Chief and Senior Investigator, Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Branch**

The Division of Intramural Population Health Research is located within the *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and invites qualified candidates to apply for the position of Chief and Senior Investigator of the Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Branch. As one of three intramural branches in the Division, the Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Branch mission is to develop novel statistical methods motivated by the Division's population health research that includes human fecundity and fertility, pregnancy, and child and adolescent health and behavior. In addition, Branch scientists serve as statistical co-investigators on all etiologic and interventional research in keeping with the team science research paradigm practiced by the Division. The Branch's mission also includes a strong commitment to mentoring trainees at varying career stages and professional service.

As an intramural entity, the Branch is expected to develop innovative methodologic and collaborative research that uses the rich trans-disciplinary environment of the Division and the NIH Intramural Research Program. This expectation includes developing and implementing methods that support original research seeking to answer critical data gaps, and in the analysis of a vast array of databases from completed and ongoing research studies. The Biostatistics and Bioinformatics branch currently houses 4 investigators, with room for growth. A description of the Branch may be found at <https://www.nichd.nih.gov/about/org/diphr/bbb/Pages/default.aspx>, and an overview of all Division research is summarized in the Division's annual report [https://www.nichd.nih.gov/about/org/diphr/Documents/DIPHR\\_2015\\_Annual\\_Report.pdf](https://www.nichd.nih.gov/about/org/diphr/Documents/DIPHR_2015_Annual_Report.pdf).

The Branch Chief must be a dynamic leader who provides scientific, administrative and fiscal leadership, while maintaining his/her own original methodologic and collaborative research. Candidates must have an earned doctoral degree in biostatistics, statistics or a closely related quantitative field. The successful candidate must be an internationally recognized methodologist whose accomplishments are commensurate with the academic rank of a tenured full professor, as demonstrated by a strong upward trajectory of high quality statistical publications, a trajectory of high quality and impact collaborative publications, an international reputation, extramural funding (for academic candidates), and a clear vision of biostatistics' and bioinformatics' essential role in population health research. The Chief is expected to lead in strengthening current research areas and in developing new areas of expertise to address increasingly challenging designs and analyses, including priorities such as bioinformatics and causal inference. The Chief is expected to lead in

developing and implementing the infrastructure and culture of reproducible research. The position requires excellent inter-personnel and communication skills, and experience leading trans-disciplinary scientific teams and recruiting early stage biostatisticians are highly desirable. The Chief will serve as a member of the Division's senior leadership working to further the Division and Institute's vision and mission.

The Branch Chief will be eligible for tenure, at a salary commensurate with his/her credentials and experience. Full federal government benefits will be provided, including leave, health and life insurance, long-term care insurance, retirement plan, and savings plan (401k equivalent).

Interested candidates should submit the following items:

- Curriculum vitae;
- Brief (2-3 pages) cover letter that summarizes professional training and experience in the following areas: leadership, management, administration, research, professional service, and mentoring;
- Brief (2-3 pages) vision statement for the Branch; and
- Names, affiliations, and contact details for three references (who will only be contacted following an interview).

Please email these materials as one package to:

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Complete applications received by January 13, 2017 will be considered for a first round of interviews, but applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The selected candidate is expected to assume the position and be onsite by July 1, 2017.

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