



Open Positions for Immediate Hire

Positions: Health scientists, including epidemiologists or health care professionals; social scientists; or/and survey statisticians

Start Time: Immediately

Location: Hyattsville, MD (Washington, D.C. Metro area)

Employment Type: Full-time Exempt

Salary Range: \$51,630 to \$62,400

GEARS is seeking to fill 3 positions for contracted work at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) / National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Hyattsville, MD, in the DC metro area. NCHS is undertaking major improvements in the ability of its annual ambulatory surveys to inform policymakers about the use of preventive services and monitor the effects of policy changes over time. One initiative will increase the sample of physicians for the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS) to permit state-based estimates of preventive services in ambulatory visits. Another initiative will use NAMCS and the National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS) to document the use of appropriate preventive services at visits with patients diagnosed with heart disease or stroke.

How to apply

Must submit the following to careers@getingears.com with "NCHS position" referenced in the subject line:

- Resume/CV
- Paper, published or unpublished, written by the applicant
- Three (3) professional references

Note for applicants residing outside of the Washington, D.C. metro area: Initial interview may be held by telephone but 2nd interview must be in-person (at the applicant's expense).

Position Responsibilities

The contractors will aid in computerizing NAMCS and NHAMCS data collection to improve the quality and timeliness of the data and analyses. This will require designing new methods and tools, conducting a pilot and pretest, revising the methods and tools, training field representatives, and implementing final methods and materials in the two national surveys for calendar year 2012. Increases in the NAMCS sample of physicians will begin with calendar year 2011 and continue with 2012. Implementation will also require rethinking and redesigning NCHS procedures for sampling physicians and visits, relating to the field representatives and providers, processing data, making statistical estimates, and making data files available to the public.

Education

A Master's degree in biostatistics, survey statistics, health services research, epidemiology, economics, sociology, nursing, medicine, or a related field, or a Bachelor's degree and equivalent experience.

Other Minimum Qualifications

- A valid work authorization or U.S. citizenship and
- Experience with SAS statistical software

Other Desirable Qualifications

- Training and experience in the analysis of data, data collection techniques, and data analysis;
- Experience with BLAISE software; and
- Knowledge of health data systems.

Benefits

- 2 weeks paid vacation
- Paid federal holidays
- Health/dental/vision insurance benefits
- Professional development opportunities
- 401k available
- Credit Union
- Employee Assistance Program
- 529 College Savings Plan

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