Director, Center for Healthcare Policy and Research

Center for Healthcare Policy and Research
University of California, Davis School of Medicine

Position Overview prepared by Merritt Hawkins on behalf of UC Davis, Center for Healthcare Policy and Research.

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The University of California, Davis School of Medicine invites applications for an accomplished researcher and visionary thinker to serve as the next Director of the Center for Healthcare Policy Research. Since its inception in 1994, the UC Davis Center for Healthcare Policy and Research (CHPR) has conducted interdisciplinary and collaborative research and research synthesis to improve health outcomes and services, educate the next generation of health services researchers, and assist policymakers in formulating effective health policies. CHPR is the only UC Davis-wide resource that supports interdisciplinary, innovative research on healthcare outcomes, access, quality and costs, synthesizes research and disseminates analyses directed to improving clinical care and health policy, and educates trainees in health services research methods. CHPR has been designated as an Organized Research Unit (ORU) since 1999 under the auspices of the UC Davis Office of Research with center-affiliated faculty researchers representing a broad spectrum of disciplines from across the University. Current CHPR research emphases include substance use, mental health, healthcare quality, population health, community engagement, and evidence synthesis to inform health policy.

The incoming leader will be given 40% effort for leadership and administrative functions of the Center for Healthcare Policy and Research. This will be a full-time position (1.0 FTE); the Director's additional duties will be influenced by candidate qualifications and interests, departmental needs, and clinical practice requirements, as applicable.
KEY RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE

- Provide intellectual and administrative leadership and promote the efforts and capabilities of CHPR research to the UC Davis community at large and to current and potential collaborating institutions
- In collaboration with the Associate Director and Chief Administrative Officer, oversee executive, financial, and research operations for CHPR
- Work with and oversee almost 60 CHPR personnel which includes an Associate Director, CHPR core faculty, principal investigators, and administrative support staff
- Facilitate interdisciplinary, collaborative research and outreach programs
- Maintain a leadership role in identifying extramural funding sources and fostering the creation of appropriate investigator teams to follow through with preparation and submission of grant/contract proposals
- Develop a strategic plan that will increase the visibility and reputation of CHPR to better disseminate research findings to inform the public and policymakers
- Represent the needs of Organized Research Unit* (ORU)-affiliated faculty and students, by representing their activities to involved colleges/units, the Office of Research, and the campus at large
- Take a leading role in outreach efforts, including interaction with an external ORU Board of Advisors, distinguished lecture series, and the organization of workshops and symposia
- Collaborate with other campus research units such as the Clinical and Translational Science Center (CTSC) and Center for Reducing Health Disparities (CRHD)
- Lead an extramurally funded research program that conducts outstanding research in epidemiology, health services research, healthcare economics, health equity outcomes research, or similarly related field with clear policy implications
- Maintain proper adherence to all Office of Research and campus administrative, financial, and human resource policies and procedures

In addition, Academic Senate faculty responsibilities include: clinical service in the area of specialty, as applicable; teaching medical students, residents, and fellows; conducting bench/clinical/translational research; a record of peer-reviewed publications; success in obtaining extramural funding, as applicable; and University service. All responsibilities will be further determined based on faculty series.
POSITION QUALIFICATIONS

- MD, PhD, MD/PhD, or equivalent terminal degree. For MD applicants, additional requirements include board-certification and fellowship training as applicable to specialty, and subspecialty if trained, and applicants must possess or be eligible for a California Medical License.
- Academic credentials that qualify for appointment as Associate Professor or Full Professor.
- High degree of knowledge in healthcare policy and health services research.
- Substantial record of leadership and achievement in research as evidenced by success in securing extramural research funding.
- Demonstrated prior success at leading interprofessional teams, working across campus units.
- Ability to lead at both the strategic and tactical levels.
- Commitment to diversity and inclusive excellence in education and research.
- Demonstrated teaching ability and commitment to university and public service.
- The ideal candidate will have a national reputation of successful research and research leadership – for example, through leading an interdisciplinary research program, division or department – knowledge of national research trends, and a significant record of peer-reviewed scientific publications.
- The ideal candidate will have a strong history of written and verbal communication with a track record of working in a matrix organization.
- The individual will have strong interpersonal skills, the capacity to work collaboratively and effectively with others, experience managing space and financial resources, and an ability to inspire colleagues and staff to achieve excellent results.
- Qualified applicants must also possess academic credentials that qualify for appointment as Associate or Full Professor in the Ladder Rank (Regular), In-Residence, or Clinical Investigator (Clinical_X) series at the University of California.

UCDSOM actively seeks candidates whose experience and interests are aligned with our commitment to diversity, inclusion, and excellence. All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply, including women and members of groups traditionally underrepresented in executive leadership roles.
The University of California (UC) opened its doors in 1869 with just 10 faculty members and 38 students. Today, the UC system includes more than 280,000 students and more than 227,000 faculty and staff, with 2.0 million alumni living and working around the world. Nine UC campuses offer undergraduate and graduate education; UCSF is the only one in the system that is graduate/professional only. The UC campuses include: UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Irvine, UCLA, UC Merced, UC Riverside, UC San Diego, UC San Francisco, UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz.

From all backgrounds, ethnicities and incomes, UC attracts the best and brightest. UC undergraduates come from all over California, and they work hard to make it to college. In fact, 37 percent of UC students come from low-income families.

UC's faculty are the drivers behind innovations in biotechnology, computer science, art and architecture — and they bring that knowledge, that greatness, directly to the classroom.

Thousands of California jobs, billions of dollars in revenues, and countless everyday household items — from more plentiful fruits and vegetables to compact fluorescent light bulbs — can be traced back to UC discoveries. Similarly, many of the state's leading businesses are based on UC technology, founded by our faculty or led by UC graduates.

Learn more about the UC System
The University of California, Davis was conceived in 1905, when the California state legislature passed the University Farm Bill, calling for the establishment of a site dedicated to science-based teaching and research to support the state’s growing agricultural industry. Peter J. Shields, secretary of the State Agricultural Society, had lobbied on behalf of the idea of a “University Farm” after he recognized that California students were leaving the state in pursuit of agriculture degrees. University Farm began accepting non-degree students in October 1908 and enrolled its first 40 degree-seeking students from UC Berkeley in January 1909. In 1922, the campus was renamed the Northern Branch of the College of Agriculture and that same year, the first four-year undergraduate general academic program was established, graduating its first class in 1926. Following years of sustained growth, the Regents of the University of California declared UC Davis the seventh general campus in the University of California system in 1959.

UC Davis comprises four colleges – Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, Engineering, and Letters and Science – as well as an Office of Graduate Studies and several nationally-renowned professional schools – the School of Medicine, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing, Graduate School of Management, School of Education, School of Law, and School of Veterinary Medicine. UC Davis has 104 undergraduate majors and 97 graduate programs in its diverse academic programs.

UC Davis has an academic staff of 2,450. The university’s distinguished faculty includes members of the National Academy of Sciences, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, American Law Institute, National Academy of Engineering, and other renowned academies. Among many other honors, university faculty, alumni, and researchers have won the Presidential Medal of Freedom, Pulitzer Prize, MacArthur Fellowship, National Medal of Science, Blue Planet Prize, Wolf Prize, and Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers. UC Davis is the only campus that is home to an Academic Federation, a group of academic appointees who are not members of the Academic Senate, and who by percentage of appointment and duration of employment are eligible for membership. This organization is parallel in function to the role of the Academic Senate, and a key asset of the campus.
In the area of research, UC Davis continues to be a national leader in federally sponsored research and is distinguishing itself for its success in generating research support from state and private sources. The campus has seen impressive growth in annual external research funding in fiscal year 2020-21, generating $968 million in awards, a $27 million increase from the previous record set last year.

In 2021, the UC Davis School of Medicine achieved a new record of National Institutes of Health (NIH) research funding with more than $194 million in grants. This is an increase of about $13 million over the previous year. The latest Blue Ridge Institute for Medical Research ranking placed UC Davis among the nation’s leading medical schools for NIH funding. It ranked the school 33rd nationally – three spots above its 2020 ranking.

UC Davis also has made excellent strides in supporting diversity and developing an inclusive campus community: the university has adopted a Strategic Plan for Diversity and Inclusion, and the campus ranked first on a Diverse Issues in Higher Education list based on the number of undergraduate degrees for minority students in biological/biomedical sciences. In 2016, Forbes named UC Davis the most important STEM university for women, and the university is expecting to earn the U.S. Department of Education Hispanic Serving Institution designation in spring 2019. Campus Pride, a national non-profit organization, listed UC Davis among the 30 best colleges and universities in the country for LGBTQ-inclusive policies, programs, and practices. 46% of UC Davis undergraduate students are first-generation college students and 39% received Pell Grants.

The university benefits from a vibrant local community. In the coming years, UC Davis will expand its partnership with the region through Aggie Square, a collaborative technology and innovation campus leverages the university’s strengths to become the catalyst for economic change, creates jobs, and helps spur economic vitality of the surrounding neighborhoods and the broader Sacramento region. It will serve as a model public-private partnership, increasing technology transfer and creating equitable opportunities for residents in the community and region. It will support new jobs at a variety of education levels. Building on the strengths of UC Davis and economic leverage of the City of Sacramento, the potential for public-private partners includes the areas of life sciences, food systems, mobility, government and civic technology, and arts and communications.
Dr. Gary May became UC Davis’ seventh Chancellor on August 1, 2017. An accomplished scholar and engineer, Chancellor May came to UC Davis from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, where he had been for nearly three decades, most recently as dean of the institute’s College of Engineering – the largest and most diverse school of its kind in the nation, with 450 faculty and 13,000 students. Prior to being dean, Dr. May was the Steve W. Chaddick Chair of Georgia Tech’s School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, and previous to that, he was the executive assistant to Georgia Tech President G. Wayne Clough.

Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Mary Croughan joined UC Davis in July 2020. Prior to coming to UC Davis, Dr. Croughan served as Vice President for Research and Economic Development at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, where she was instrumental in helping the university achieve status as an R1 institution in 2018. Within the University of California system, Croughan served as executive director of the Research Grants Program Office at the UC Office of the President from 2010 to 2017, including 30 years as a faculty member at the University of California, San Francisco in the School of Medicine and as Chair of the systemwide University of California Academic Senate.

UC DAVIS CAMPUS

Our main campus borders the Northern California city of Davis. Our second campus, located in nearby Sacramento, is the headquarters for UC Davis Health. The Davis campus is walkable from the city of Davis, a vibrant college town of about 68,000 people. The state capital is 20 minutes away, and world-class destinations such as the San Francisco Bay Area, Lake Tahoe and the Napa Valley are within a two-hour drive. As the region’s only academic health center, UC Davis Health is in California’s capital city of Sacramento.
Our school is consistently ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* among the **top schools in the nation for primary care training and research**.

UC Davis School of Medicine is ranked among the best in the country in *US News & World Report* graduate school rankings.

*U.S. News & World Report*’s 2023 graduate school rankings recognized UC Davis School of Medicine in the top ten nationally in three areas, including No. 3 in diversity. This is the second-consecutive year the School of Medicine was included in the top five for diversity among its student body. In fact, UC Davis was the only medical school in the top five for diversity on the West Coast. It maintained a high ranking in research, coming in at 51st overall.
UC Davis Medical Center serves a 65,000-square-mile area that includes 33 counties and 6 million residents across Northern and Central California. The 646-bed acute-care teaching hospital maintains an annual budget of roughly $1.7 billion. UC Davis admits approximately 30,000 patients per year and handles more than 800,000 visits. The medical center’s emergency room sees more than 200 patients per day on average.

UC Davis Medical Center includes the UC Davis Children’s Hospital, a 110-bed hospital within a hospital and the Sacramento region’s only comprehensive hospital for children, serving infants, children, adolescents, and young adults with primary, sub-specialty, and critical-care services. It is home to the Central Valley's only pediatric emergency department and Level 1 pediatric trauma center.

In its 2021-22 survey, U.S. News & World Report ranked UC Davis Medical Center as one of the nation’s best hospitals in nine adult medical specialties, including cancer; cardiology & heart surgery; diabetes & endocrinology; ear, nose and throat; geriatrics; gynecology; neurology & neurosurgery; orthopedics; and pulmonology & lung surgery. UC Davis Medical Center also ranked as high-performing in gastroenterology & GI surgery and in urology.
UC Davis Health serves 33 counties in California. The Association of American Medical Colleges has previously honored UC Davis Health with the “Outstanding Community Service Award” for its commitment to the community and region. The School of Medicine has developed a remarkable program called Community Health Scholars, which operates specialized medical education tracks such as Rural-PRIME and SJV Prime, TEACH, and ACE-PC.

Additionally, UC Davis has one of the country’s largest telehealth networks and demonstrates its commitment to using technology to improve access to inpatient and outpatient specialty care, professional education, and new models of chronic disease management that embrace self-management of one’s health. This includes an innovative telestroke service that responds within ten minutes to help community hospitals expedite key treatments. Both the School of Medicine and Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing embrace interprofessional education and have launched a shared learner model in partnership with the County of Sacramento.

UC Davis Health maintains affiliations with external institutions, including the Veterans Administration Northern California Health Care System, and the David Grant Medical Center, located at Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield, California, and the adjacent Shriners Hospital for Children of Northern California, which is ranked in the top 50 Best Children’s Hospitals in the U.S. by U.S. News and World Report. It also maintains close ties to the Sacramento community through its Volunteer Clinical Faculty (VCF) program.

UC Davis Health operates as part of UC Health, which is the nation’s largest health science training program, with more than 14,000 students annually enrolled in 17 health-sciences professional education programs. In addition to Davis, UC Health operates medical centers in Irvine, Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco. UC Riverside is home to a new community-based medical school and UC Merced is expanding its health education opportunities to its students dedicated to serving the Central Valley. Together, the UC medical centers comprise the fourth-largest health care system in California, with $17 billion in revenue, and deliver more than 147,000 inpatient discharges, 297,000 emergency room visits, and four million outpatient visits each year.

Dr. David Lubarsky joined UC Davis as the Vice Chancellor for Human Health Sciences and CEO of UC Davis Health in June 2018. Dr. Lubarsky previously served as the chief medical officer and systems integration officer, and as the first chief executive officer of the UHealth Physician Practice, at the University of Miami Health System. Committed to academics as well as leadership, Lubarsky served from 2001 to 2018 as the Emanuel M. Papper Professor and Chairman of the Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Management at the University of Miami’s Miller School of Medicine. Dr. Lubarsky also was a professor at the University of Miami’s School of Nursing and School of Business, serving in both health sector policy and management and the Department of Management, teaching population health, behavioral economics, physician behaviors, patient safety, negotiations, and incentive plans.

In his role as Vice Chancellor for Human Health Sciences and CEO for UC Davis Health, Dr. Lubarsky oversees UC Davis Health’s academic, research, and clinical programs, including the School of Medicine, the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing, the 1,000-member physician practice group, and UC Davis Medical Center.
Established in 1994 as the Center for Health Services Research in Primary Care by founding director Klea Bertakis, MD, MPH, the Center’s initial focus was on the role of primary care in the healthcare system and the interrelationship between healthcare delivery, costs, and patient outcomes in primary care. In 2006, the Center was renamed the “Center for Healthcare Policy and Research” to reflect this expanded interdisciplinary mission to facilitate research, promote education, and inform policy about health and healthcare.

Since our inception in 1994, the faculty and staff of the UC Davis Center for Healthcare Policy and Research (CHPR) has been conducting interdisciplinary and collaborative research and research synthesis to improve health outcomes and services, educating the next generation of health services researchers, and assisting policymakers in formulating effective health policies.

We are the only UC Davis resource that supports interdisciplinary, innovative research on healthcare outcomes, access, quality and costs, and educates trainees in research methods on comparative effectiveness, healthcare costs, quality of care, and patient-centered outcomes. Our goal is to provide rigorous evidence, via our research findings and syntheses, which can be used to improve health outcomes and health policies — in California, across the US, and throughout the world.

**OUR MISSION**

Our mission—to facilitate research, promote education, and inform policy about health and healthcare—is realized through research and training, research synthesis, and focused dissemination of research findings. Center-affiliated faculty researchers represent a broad spectrum of disciplines from across the University.
RESEARCH AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Our research staff members—comprised of statisticians, programmers, health policy analysts, and qualitative and quantitative researchers—facilitate research by working with UC Davis faculty and collaborators at other institutions.

Our teams inform evidence-based healthcare policies by conducting research syntheses on key health issues for policymaking bodies such as the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) and by providing timely analyses of health-related legislation to the California State Legislature through the UC-led California Health Benefits Review Program. Individual members of CHPR’s Core Faculty also inform healthcare policies by participating as voting members on influential panels like the Medicare Evidence Development and Coverage Advisory Committee (MEDCAC) and the California Technology Assessment Forum (CTAF).

RESEARCH OVERVIEW

CHPR provides a nexus for investigators from a broad range of disciplines to collaborate on impactful research that informs healthcare delivery, quality, outcomes and costs. The Center plays a unique role at UC Davis in supporting and fostering interdisciplinary research collaborations on these important health services research topics.

Currently, the majority of CHPR research projects fall into the following three research program themes:

1. Healthcare Quality and Safety Research
2. Mental Health and Substance Use Research
3. Evidence to Inform Clinical Care and Health Policy

In each of these program areas, CHPR investigators and staff conduct high-impact work, much of which has informed clinical guidelines and health policy over the Center’s 25-year history.

POLICY OVERVIEW

CHPR seeks to bridge the gap between academic research and policymakers’ need for clear, non-partisan evidence. Our faculty and staff understand how to work with the “big picture” framework and tight timelines under which policymakers operate. We’ve provided research and policy analysis for organizations like:

- United States Preventive Services Task Force
- California Health Benefits Review Program (CHBRP)
- Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
POLICY TRANSLATION AND DISSEMINATION

In addition to conventional health policy research, CHPR also translates its quantitative and qualitative research into policy-relevant material for timely application by policymakers and stakeholders.

We create executive summaries, policy briefs, PowerPoint presentations, infographics, and in-depth white papers to succinctly convey important non-partisan research findings. Comparative effectiveness, quality measurement, health economics, and health services research require complex methodologies, but we communicate results in clear language and graphic presentations to facilitate evidence-based policymaking.

Disseminating policy analyses is the final critical step in promoting evidence-based policymaking. CHPR hosts seminars, conferences, provides expert testimony, and publishes policy briefs and a newsletter, in addition to traditional peer-reviewed publications, to facilitate dissemination of research findings.

EDUCATION OVERVIEW

CHPR’s robust educational portfolio fosters career development, networking and collaborative research opportunities for faculty and trainees from multiple disciplines across UC Davis and with our local, state, national, and international communities.

We are dedicated to enhancing the intellectual environment for health services research at UC Davis and helping faculty, trainees, and staff develop skills to conduct first-class health services and policy research. As an expression of our commitment to the professional growth of CHPR members, we provide education, training, and career development opportunities include:

- CHPR Seminar Series
- Opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students
- Faculty training and mentoring
- Comparative Effectiveness Research (CER) course
- Post-doctoral fellowship programs
# CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

## Principal Investigator: Jeffrey Hoch, Ph.D.

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## Principal Investigator: Joy Melnikow, M.D., M.P.H.

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<td>University of British Columbia</td>
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<td><strong>SHOW.me.Health: A Digital Therapeutics Platform for Clinical Research</strong></td>
<td>Shriners Hospitals for Children</td>
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<td><strong>CalPERS Mental Health Access</strong></td>
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<td>Kaiser Foundation Research Institute</td>
<td>$241,428</td>
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<td><strong>Defining and Rewarding Computer Tomography Quality and Safety</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Effectiveness of Chiropractic Care for Neck Pain With or Without Headache</strong></td>
<td>Yale University</td>
<td>$464,494</td>
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<td><strong>Hospital-Level Quality Indicators (QIs) Analysis and Support</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Medical and Audiology Expertise for California Children Services</strong></td>
<td>California Department of Health Care Services</td>
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- **Patient Safety Measures**
  - Sponsor: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
  - Award Amount: $2,332,975
  - 02/28/2019–02/24/2024

- **Relaunching Cal Quality Care for Nursing Homes in California**
  - California Hospital Assessment and Reporting Task Force (CHART)
  - Award Amount: $292,797
  - 06/01/2021–05/31/2023
  - PIs: Debra Bakerjian, Ph.D. and Dr. Patrick Romano

Principal Investigator: Elisa Tong, M.D., M.A.

- **Expanding Los Angeles County eConsult Cessation Services**
  - Sponsor: UC Tobacco-Related Disease Research Program
  - Award Amount: $2,060,766
  - 07/01/2018–06/30/2022

- **Tracking Tobacco Waste to Increase College Policy Engagement and Compliance**
  - Sponsor: California State University San Marcos Corporation
  - Award Amount: $132,386
  - 06/01/2018–03/31/2022

  **CA QUITS 2018–2023**
  - Sponsor: California Department of Public Health
  - Award Amount: $5,998,851
  - 06/20/2018–03/31/2023

Principal Investigator: Shani Buggs, Ph.D., M.P.H.

- **Community Dissemination Activities for Public Deliberation Study on Police Reforms**
  - Sponsor: California Wellness Foundation
  - Award Amount: $20,000
  - 10/01/2021–03/31/2022

Principal Investigator: Joshua Fenton, M.D., M.P.H.

- **Watchful Waiting as a Strategy for Reducing Low-Value Spinal Imaging**
  - Sponsor: DHHS Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
  - Award Amount: $1,141,137
  - 04/01/2018–08/31/2023
Principal Investigator: Stephen Henry, M.D., M.Sc.

Developing Patient-Level Risk Prediction Models for Prescription Opioid Overdose
Sponsor: NIH National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA)
Award Amount: $2,481,590
09/30/2017–07/31/2022

Principal Investigator: Jennifer Karlin, M.D., Ph.D.

How Provider Knowledge, Perceptions and Attitudes About User-Administered Injectable Contraception Shape Demand and Use
Sponsor: UC San Francisco
Award Amount: $50,000

Principal Investigator: Nathan Kuppermann, M.D., M.P.H.

Procalcitonin to Reduce Antibiotic Prescribing in Pediatric Pneumonia
Sponsor: Ann and Robert Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago
Award Amount: $6,159
07/01/2021–06/30/2022

Principal Investigator: Elizabeth Magnan, M.D., Ph.D.

Systematic Review of Stigma Against Patients with Substance Use Disorder
Sponsor: Association of American Medical Colleges
Award Amount: $30,000
09/01/2021–10/01/2022

Principal Investigator: Dr. Aimee Moulin

UCD Sustainability Application
Sponsor: Public Health Institute
Award Amount: $65,000
02/01/2021 – 03/31/2022
RESEARCH SERVICES

CHPR faculty and staff support health services research collaborations by contributing their subject matter expertise in the following areas:

- Study design options
- Consumer behavior
- Disparities and health equity
- Healthcare access, coverage, and utilization
- ICD-10-CM/PCS and CPT code selection
- Insurance models and delivery
- Mental/behavioral health
- Physician-patient communication
- Prescription drug use and costs
- Cancer prevention and screening
- Quality of care measurements
- Tobacco cessation
- Substance use
- Women’s health

CHPR research staff members who are skilled in utilizing the following methods for conducting innovative health services research are also available to work on collaborative research projects with CHPR faculty members:

- Online and telephone surveys
- Economic evaluation
- Patient-centered outcomes research
- Multi-modal program evaluation
- Public deliberation about healthcare
- Qualitative interviews and focus groups
- Policy analysis
- Complex statistical modeling, including analysis of large datasets
- Systematic reviews and evidence syntheses
This position is based in Sacramento, California, the state capital, which sits in the northern part of California’s Central Valley in one of the world’s most productive farming regions and at the foot of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Sacramento is a family-friendly city with major cultural resources. Some School of Medicine faculty members live in Davis, approximately 20 minutes away by car. The UC Davis campus footprint is the largest of the UC system, spanning more than 5,500 acres in two counties. In 2002, Sacramento was named as the most diverse and integrated city in the United States as determined in research for TIME Magazine by the Civil Rights Project at Harvard University.

Sacramento is the capital city of California and the seat of Sacramento County. Located at the confluence of the Sacramento River and the American River in Northern California’s Sacramento Valley, Sacramento’s estimated 2021 population of 525,041 makes it the sixth-largest city in California and the ninth-largest capital in the United States. Sacramento is the seat of the California Legislature and the Governor of California, making it the state’s political center and a hub for lobbying and think tanks.

Sacramento is located about an hour and a half from San Francisco and Lake Tahoe and about an hour from Napa and Sonoma Valley. Sacramento has a vibrant arts and culture scene, from the high-production Broadway series musicals shown downtown to the murals painted all over the city and fine arts from ancient times to today showcased in museums such as the Crocker Art Museum. Fine arts are abundant in the area, and Midtown is full of galleries, artists’ studios, and performing arts groups rehearsing for their shows.

An excellent sports and recreation destination

Sacramento

HOME TO MAJOR PRO SPORTS TEAMS

MLB
Oakland Athletics
Oakland Coliseum
San Francisco Giants
Oracle Park

NBA
Sacramento Kings
Golden 1 Center

NFL
San Francisco 49ers
Levi’s Stadium

NHL
San Jose Sharks
SAP Center at San Jose
Sacramento is America’s Farm-to-Fork Capital, and that means it has fantastic food. There are more restaurants with high Zagat ratings in Sacramento than anywhere else in Northern California. Fine dining restaurants are nestled in historic buildings on blocks with art galleries, bookstores, and mom-and-pop shops. The city is nestled in the center of more than 200 wineries.

More than 230 days of sunshine and the most technologically advanced arena in the nation make Sacramento an excellent sports and recreation destination, whether you want to watch the professionals play or take advantage of the city’s ample outdoor amenities.

Professional sports provide family-friendly excitement year-round, and with the city bordering both the American and Sacramento rivers, cycling, running, rafting, fishing, and golfing all rank in the top outdoor activities for locals and visitors alike.

In the City of Sacramento, there are 226 parks and parkways totaling nearly 3,200 acres of land.

The Sacramento Region is home to top-notch education from K-12 to universities. There are a variety of education choices for families, young adults, and professionals seeking continued education opportunities.
UC Davis has retained Merritt Hawkins, a national academic search firm, to assist in this search. To inquire or request additional information, candidates can email Kendra Thompson, Managing Consultant, at Kendra.thompson@merritthawkins.com.

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Schedule a call with Kendra [here](#).

Qualified applicants must apply online [here](#) by uploading the following materials:

- Cover Letter/Letter of Interest
- Current CV
- Contributions to Diversity Statement (additional information [here](#))
- Names and contact information of 5 professional references
- Authorization to Release Information Form (available [here](#))
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UC Davis commits to inclusion excellence by advancing equity, diversity and inclusion in all that we do. We are an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer, and particularly encourage applications from members of historically underrepresented racial/ethnic groups, women, individuals with disabilities, veterans, LGBTQ community members, and others who demonstrate the ability to help us achieve our vision of a diverse and inclusive community. Find the complete University of California nondiscrimination and affirmative action policy here. If you need accommodation due to a disability, please contact the recruiting department.

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As a condition of employment, you will be required to comply with the University of California SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccination Program Policy. All Covered Individuals under the policy must provide proof of Full Vaccination or, if applicable, submit a request for Exception (based on Medical Exemption, Disability, and/or Religious Objection) or Deferral (based on pregnancy) no later than the applicable deadline. New University of California employees should refer to Appendix F, Section II.C. of the policy for applicable deadlines. (Capitalized terms in this paragraph are defined in the policy.) Federal, state, or local public health directives may impose additional requirements.

Under Federal law, the University of California may only employ individuals who are legally able to work in the United States as established by providing documents as specified in the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. Certain positions funded by federal contracts or sub-contracts require the selected candidate to pass an E-Verify check. For more information.
The University of California is committed to creating and maintaining a community dedicated to the advancement, application, and transmission of knowledge and creative endeavors through academic excellence, where all individuals who participate in University programs and activities can work and learn together in a safe and secure environment, free of violence, harassment, discrimination, exploitation, or intimidation. With this commitment, UC Davis conducts a reference check on all finalists for tenured positions. The reference check involves contacting the administration of the applicant’s previous institution(s) to ask whether there have been substantiated findings of misconduct that would violate the University's Faculty Code of Conduct. To implement this process, UC Davis requires all applicants for any open search for assistant/associate/full professor to complete, sign, and upload the form entitled “Authorization to Release Information” into RECRUIT as part of their application. If an applicant does not include the signed authorization with the application materials, the application will be considered incomplete, and as with any incomplete application, will not receive further consideration. Although all applicants for faculty recruitments must complete the entire application, only finalists considered for positions with tenure or security of employment will be subject to reference checks.

UC Davis supports Family-friendly recruitments. UC Davis covers travel expenses for a second person to accompany an invited faculty recruitment candidate who is a mother (or single parent of either gender) of a breast or bottle-feeding child less than two years of age. Read more.

UC Davis recognizes the necessity of supporting faculty with efforts to integrate work, family and other work-life considerations. To recruit and retain the best faculty, the campus sponsors a Work Life Program that provides programs and services that support faculty as they strive to honor their commitments to work, home and community. Read more.

The UC Davis Partner Opportunities Program (POP) is a service designed to support departments and deans offices in the recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty. Eligibility for POP services is limited, for full program details.

For questions regarding how these policies/programs affect academic appointees, call: (530) 752-7643.

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