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NOTES TO CONTRIBUTORS

The editors must hear from you so that iHEA NEWS can effectively serve

as a medium of communication for iHEA members. We are soliciting contributions from all members who have information relevant to the membership at large. There are a number of specific items we are seeking:

- * Announcement of job openings;
- * Announcement of conferences or seminars in health economics;
- * Calls for papers by journals and book editors;
- * Announcements of new appointments and promotions;
- * Articles describing activities or new initiatives at your institution, Center or firm (perhaps describing your departmental or university programs in health economics, discussing new pedagogical tools used in health economics education, describing new governmental policy initiatives or programs, and so forth).

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iHEA ANNOUNCEMENTS
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LAST CHANCE: INDIVIDUAL ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FOR iHEA BARCELONA

Just a reminder that the iHEA Call for Abstracts for the 5th World
Congress
(Barcelona July 10-13, 2005) is now open. Deadline for submissions is
November 15, just days away!

2004 iHEA members can submit your abstracts without paying the \$100 USD
submission fee.

Also remember that the deadline for the members' early-bird rate for
conference registration is December 15, 2004 - Note the CHANGE IN DEADLINE
since the last conference: 2 weeks earlier!

To submit simply go to <http://www.healthconomics.org> ... the submission
link is at the bottom of the instructions - just scroll down.

We have also posted the list of accepted organized sessions on the iHEA web site. As always, if you have any questions, simply contact us.

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to your submissions.

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iHEA AND ASHE AT THE 2005 ASSA MEETINGS

Full details on all Health Economics Sessions at the 2005 ASSA Meetings in Philadelphia, PA, January 7-9, 2005 follow below in the Conferences section.

The two iHEA sponsored sessions are:

Jan. 8, 8:00 am

AEA/iHEA

Behavioral Economics, Health, and Health Care (I1)

Presiding: VIVIAN HO, University of Alabama-Birmingham

Presenters:

DAVID Y. CUTLER, ROLAND FRYER, and EDWARD GLAESER, Harvard University--Understanding Racial Differences in Health

SAMUEL M. McCLURE, Princeton University, DAVID I. LAIBSON, Harvard University, GEORGE LOEWENSTEIN, Carnegie Mellon University, and

JONATHAN D. COHEN, University of Pittsburgh--Separate Neural Systems Value Immediate and Delayed Monetary Rewards

GEORGE LOEWENSTEIN, Carnegie Mellon University--Conflicts of Interest in Medicine: A Behavioral Economics Perspective

Discussants:

TED JOYCE, Baruch College

DANA GOLDMAN, RAND Corporation

SENDHIL MULLAINATHAN, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Jan. 8, 2:30 pm

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The Economics of Prescription Drug Advertising (I1, L1)

Presiding: RICHARD ARNOULD, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

Presenters:

ROSEMARY AVERY, DON KENKEL, DEAN LILLARD, and ALAN MATHIOS, Cornell University--Regulating Advertisements: The Case of Smoking Cessation Products

W. DAVID BRADFORD, Medical University of South Carolina, ANDREW N. KLEIT, Pennsylvania State University, THOMAS McILWAIN, PAUL J. NEITERT, TERRENCE STEYER, and STEVEN ORNSTEIN, Medical University of South Carolina--The Impact of Direct to Consumer Advertising for Prescription Drugs on Physician Prescribing Behavior

TOSHIAKI IIZUKA, Vanderbilt University, and GINGER Z. JIN, University of Maryland--The Effects of Direct-to-Consumer Advertising in the Prescription Drug Markets

Discussants:

DAVID RIDLEY, Duke University
JESSICA WOLPAW REYES, University of Texas-Austin
MARGARET BYRNE, University of Miami

The American Society of Health Economists (ASHE) will have a major presence at ASSA as well by co-sponsoring a luncheon and reception:

ASHE Luncheon - Jan 7, 12:30-2:00, Independence Salons I & II
Philadelphia Marriott

iHEA/ASHE Reception - Jan 7, 5:30-7:00, Rooms 401-402 Philadelphia Marriott (Including 12th Annual Kenneth J. Arrow Award Presentation)

ASHE LUNCHEON

ASHE will be hosting a luncheon as noted above. The luncheon will be a fee event (not listed in the ASSA Registration booklet). It will begin with short talks by President Joe Newhouse, Vice President Jody Sindelar, Tom Getzen and Executive Director Dick Arnould. The event is open to all who wish to attend so please encourage others at your university to attend.

For information or reservations contact ASHE Executive Director Dick Arnould at arnould@healtheconomics.us.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL KENNETH J. ARROW AWARD IN HEALTH ECONOMICS

The International Health Economics Association (iHEA) is pleased to invite nominations for the Thirteenth Annual Kenneth J. Arrow Award in Health Economics for best paper in health economics in 2004. In order to be eligible, a paper must have been published in a peer-reviewed journal in English in 2004. Nominations should include a brief letter of nomination and a copy of the paper.

Please send nominations by March 1, 2005, preferably by email and with a pdf of the paper, to:

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INVITATION FOR NOMINATIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS OF THE ARROW AWARD COMMITTEE

Nominations are invited for new members of the iHEA's Kenneth J. Arrow Award Committee. This committee selects papers for the iHEA Arrow Award.

Members of the committee are appointed for 3 year terms and terms can be renewed once. Appointments are made on a rotating basis. Nominees are currently being sought for the Class expiring at the end of 2007. Names should be submitted by January 04, 2005, to

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Current members of the Arrow Award Committee are listed below:

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Jody L. Sindelar, Yale University
Wynand Van de Ven, Erasmus University Rotterdam

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Patricia Danzon, University of Pennsylvania
Louis Eeckhoudt, Facultés Universitaires Catholiques de Mons.
Randy Ellis, Boston University
Carol Propper, University of Bristol.
Richard Scheffler, University of California, Berkeley

Term Expires 2006:
Friedrich Breyer, University of Konstanz
Guillem López-Casasnovas, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
Bernard Friedman, Agency for Health Care Policy Research
Jonathan Gruber, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Bengt Jonsson, Stockholm School of Economics
Joseph Newhouse, Harvard University

IBEROAMERICAN HEALTH ECONOMICS CHAPTER OF iHEA

The research in Health Economics carried out in Latin America has increased and improved in the last ten years although it is still far from meeting the needs in Latin America for this type of research and analysis. Therefore, it is important to promote the organization of professionals working in health economics in the region to create a space for theoretical and methodological discussion and to strengthen the research done in the region. With this purpose the Mexican National Institute of Public Health and other organizations ask for your collaboration to create the Iberoamerican Health Economics Chapter of iHEA for those working in the region or on projects relevant for the region. While nascent initiatives get underway to create national or

regional health economics associations, the chapter can at least promote collaboration among those of us who belong to iHEA (and those we can convince to join). The expectation is that most communication will be in Spanish, though participation in Portuguese and English will also be welcome. The chapter builds upon the previous work in the region by iHEA, by NEVALAT and the Red Jose Luis Bobadilla, seeks to link to other regional organizations including LACEA and Econometrica, and to national health economics organizations. The next regional health economics event will be the Brazilian Conference Nov 30-Dec 3 and it hopefully will serve as a useful forum for networking.

If you are interested in participating in the Iberoamerican Health Economics Chapter of iHEA, please write to us at the following e-mail address: economia@correo.insp.mx

2005 HEALTH POLICY FELLOWSHIP

NCHS/AcademyHealth Health Policy Fellowship 2005

Call for Applications

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) and AcademyHealth are seeking applicants for their 2005 Health Policy Fellowship. This program brings visiting scholars in health services research-related disciplines to NCHS to collaborate on studies of interest to policymakers and the health services research community using Center data systems. Applications are welcomed from doctoral students through senior researchers/faculty. Up to two individuals will be selected for the fellowship. Fellows will conduct their research and work collaboratively with NCHS staff on joint projects of mutual interest while in residence at NCHS in Hyattsville, Maryland. The duration of the full time fellowship is 13-24 months, beginning in early September, 2005.

Application deadline: Monday, January 10, 2005.

For more information about the Fellowship and application requirements, visit www.academyhealth.org/nchs or e-mail AcademyHealth at nchs@academyhealth.org

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CALLS FOR PAPERS
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AUPHA 2005 ANNUAL MEETING

"Partners in Progress"

June 23 - 26, 2005, Boston, Massachusetts

/CALL FOR POSTERS/

AUPHA invites you to submit an abstract for posters to be displayed at the 2005 AUPHA Annual Meeting. Share your research and expertise with colleagues. Posters provide a marketplace for scholarly work to advance

health services management and leadership education. AUPHA seeks to support health administration students and faculty members in their instructional development and review, as well as to provide a rigorous peer-review process for acknowledging research on teaching and learning. An excellent team of colleagues from a variety of disciplines has been assembled to provide peer review for research, teaching/learning, demonstration and other types of projects.

Posters are not required to relate specifically to the theme of the Annual Meeting, although this is encouraged. However, poster topics must relate to health administration education. See the Best Posters

BEST AUPHA POSTERS COMPETITION

Awards will be given at the AUPHA Annual Meeting for the posters that best address the selection criteria outlined below, clearly articulate the research question(s), demonstrate the use of appropriate scientific method, and develop the potential impact of findings and/or recommendations on the field. Consideration will also be given to the creativity, originality, clarity, and professional appearance of competing posters.

The 2005 AUPHA Poster Review Committee will review and select posters using these selection criteria:

- Relationship of the research to the content, process, structure and/or outcomes of learning activities (required).
- Relationship of the research to the education of health services managers (required).
- Extent to which the conference theme is addressed (encouraged but not required).

We encourage posters from a diversity of programs and countries.

Names and titles of accepted abstracts will be included in the on-site program provided to all AUPHA Annual Meeting attendees.

Please carefully adhere to the following instructions:

- ***Abstracts must be received in the AUPHA office by February 1, 2005***
- All abstracts must be typed in a font that is 12 point or larger on the attached form or a clear photocopy of the form. Do not exceed the space allowed (approximately 300 words).
- Include a concise title that reflects the content of the poster and/or exhibit. Capitalize the first letter of each word except prepositions and articles.
- After the title, list names of all authors in CAPITAL letters. Indicate the institutional affiliation, town/city, and state/province of all authors. Asterisk (*) the name of the presenting author who will be in attendance at the AUPHA meeting. At least one poster author **MUST** be a paid attendee of the Annual Meeting. If no author of the poster is able to attend the meeting to discuss her/his research, the poster will not be displayed.

- Complete the contact information in the lower portion of the form. Only this person will be contacted with the decision of the Poster Review Committee.
- The contact person will receive a response to your submission by March 1, 2005.
- Information on poster dimensions and presentations will be sent to the contact person for successful poster authors by April 1, 2005.
- Early Registration deadline for the meeting is May 1, 2005.

Abstracts will not be accepted from software or other technology vendors. Vendors may contact Liane Pinero at lianep.kluge@aupha.org about exhibiting opportunities at the 2005 Annual Meeting (see contact information below).

The deadline for receiving abstracts at the AUPHA office is February 1, 2005. Send abstracts as an MS Word email attachment (preferred) or by mail or fax to:

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/CALL FOR CONCURRENT SESSIONS/

AUPHA invites you to submit a proposal for a Concurrent Session at the 2005 AUPHA Annual Meeting. AUPHA seeks to support health administration students and faculty members in their instructional development and review, as well as to provide peer-review for the scholarship of teaching. A team of experts from a variety of disciplines has been assembled to provide peer review for Concurrent Sessions on faculty research, teaching/learning, demonstration and other types of projects.

Concurrent Sessions are encouraged to focus on best practices and innovations in teaching and academic program management, although this is not required. However, all topics must relate to health administration education at the graduate and undergraduate level.

General Guidelines

- Eight slots are available in the schedule for Concurrent Sessions.
- Sessions are 1 hour and thirty minutes long.
- A member may submit one or more proposals for sessions
- Authors of accepted presentations/papers will be encouraged to submit their manuscripts to the Journal of Health Administration Education for potential publication
- AUPHA will provide logistical assistance once sessions have been selected.
- Proposals for Concurrent Sessions that are not accepted for presentations will be considered for the Poster Session as well.

Suggested Topics

While sessions on all topics related to health administration education

will be considered, the Committee is particularly interested in proposals addressing the following topics. In the event that more than one presenter proposes the same topic, the Committee will encourage collaboration between the two presenters.

- Innovative teaching and teaching methods
- Innovative or effective student assessment methods
- Application of competencies in curricula and courses
- Joint degree or other "partnership" or integrative approaches
- Articulation of the relationship between undergraduate and graduate health management education
- Creative use of technology in class and with assignments
- Effective methods of design and evaluation of field experiences

Format Options

1. Themed Paper Presentations, with a Call for Papers and selected by blinded review of abstracts—Concurrent Session Presenter is responsible for solicitation and review of papers
2. Themed Paper Presentations, with invited papers—Concurrent Session Presenter is responsible for solicitation and review of papers
3. Invited Speaker presentations, with speaker(s) from academia and/or the field
4. Other

Schedule

Concurrent sessions are scheduled in two time blocks, one on Friday, June 24 and one on Saturday, June 25. The Planning Committee will determine the exact times by January 15.

Deadlines

December 17, 2004	Session Proposal due to AUPHA
January 14, 2005	AUPHA Response to Proposals
February 1, 2005	Call for Papers due to AUPHA for distribution (if applicable)
March 1, 2005	Paper Abstracts due to Session Chairs (if applicable)
March 21, 2005	Confirmed speaker names and final descriptions due to AUPHA for publication in the program (FIRM DATE)

Please obtain the form from Katy O'Reilly and submit it electronically to AUPHA by December 17, 2004. Email to: koreilly@aupha.org

ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING

*The 2005 AUPHA annual meeting theme, "Partners in Progress: Establishing Effective Relationships for Healthcare Management Education," is one that will permit us to build and expand on 2004's highly successful theme of Evidence Based Management. Notably, partnering is one way in which evidence based health services management may be incorporated into our curricula, thereby establishing a continuing emphasis on this important concept. In addition, through an emphasis on the vast array of partnering options available to each of us, we hope to demonstrate the many ways in which healthcare management education overall is enriched. *

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ANNUAL MEETING ALLIED SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATIONS

Preliminary Announcement of the Program

Philadelphia, PA, January 7-9, 2005

Thursday, January 6, 2005

Jan. 7, 8:00 am

AEA -- Economic Determinants of Child Obesity (H0, I0, J0)

Presiding: DIANE WHITMORE, University of Chicago

JOHN CAWLEY, Cornell University and NBER, SARA MARKOWITZ, Rutgers University-Newark and NBER, and JOHN TAURAS, University of Illinois-Chicago and NBER--Body Weight, Cigarette Prices, Youth Access Laws and Adolescent Smoking Initiation

PATRICIA ANDERSON, Dartmouth College, and KRISTIN BUTCHER, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago--Reading, Writing, and Raisinets: Are School Finances Contributing to Children's Obesity?

THOMAS DELIERE, Harvard University and University of Chicago, and HELEN LEVY, University of Michigan and University of Chicago--Food Expenditure, Home Production, and Material Well-Being of Single Mother Households in the 90s

Discussants: DAVID FIGLIO, University of Florida
DARREN LUBOTSKY, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
SARAH REBER, University of California-Berkeley

Jan. 7, 8:00 am

AEA -- Health, Education and Welfare--Poster Session (I0) [Health only]

Presiding: REBECCA BLANK, University of Michigan

MARK W. SMITH, VA Palo Alto--Childhood Abuse and Welfare Use

REAGAN BAUGHMAN, University of New Hampshire--Expanding Public Health Insurance for Children: Do Local Conditions Matter?

RICHARD G. FRANK, Harvard Medical School and HOWARD H. GOLDMAN, University of Maryland--Spending Responses to Mental Health Parity Regulation: The Case of the Federal Employees Health Benefits

THOMAS McGUIRE, Harvard Medical School, MARGARITA ALEGRIA, Cambridge Health Alliance and Harvard Medical School, and DAVID TAKEUCHI, University of Washington--Unfair Differences in Use of Mental Health Services Among Racial and Ethnic Groups

ERNST R. BERNDT, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, ALISA

B. BUSCH, and RICHARD G. FRANK, Harvard Medical School--Interpreting Spending Data on Mental Health Services: Price Indexes for the Treatment of Major Depression

BO MacINNIS, University of California-Berkeley--Are Environmental Toxins a Source of Health Shocks to Children? Evidence from Hispanic Children in the U.S.

DAVID FRISVOLD, KATHRYN ANDERSON, and JAMES FOSTER, Vanderbilt University--Investing in Health: The Long-Term Impact of Head Start

HSIN-YU TSENG, University of Chicago--Increases in Risk and the Demand for Insurance: Evidence from the Health and Retirement Study

JAMES SULLIVAN, University of Notre Dame--Adverse Medical Conditions and Access to Insurance: Evidence from the Health and Retirement Study

JANET CURRIE, University of California-Los Angeles, ANNA AIZER, Brown University, and ENRICO MORETTI, University of California-Los Angeles--Competition in Imperfect Markets: Does It Help California's Medicaid Mothers?

JENNIFER THACHER, EDWARD MOREY, and EDWARD CRAIGHHEAD, University of Colorado-Boulder--Modeling and Estimating Preferences over Treatment Programs for Depression

KATE BUNDORF and JAY BHATTACHARYA, Stanford University--The Incidence of the Health Care Costs of Obesity

MEENA SESHAMANI and KEVIN VOLPP, University of Pennsylvania--The Effect of Cuts in Medicare Reimbursement on Quality of Hospital Care

PRAVEEN DHANKHAR, MAHMUD KHAN, and ILA ALAM, Tulane University--Threat of Malpractice Lawsuit, Physician Behavior and Health Outcomes: Implications for "Optimal" Threat Level

RUCKER JOHNSON, University of Michigan--Racial Differences in Asthma Prevalence and Morbidity

Jan. 7, 8:00 am

CES -- Health Care in China

Presiding: GORDON LIU, Peking University and University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

MENGTAO GAO and YANG YAO, Beijing University--Age Dynamics of Gender Inequality in the Access to Health Care: A Case from Rural China

GORDON LIU, Peking University and University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, WILLIAM H. DOW, and JOHN AKIN, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill--Income Growth in China: On the Role of Health

RICHARD WANG, AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals--Competition in the Chinese Pharmaceutical Markets

HONGMEI WANG, Yale University--Social Capital and Health in

Rural China

Discussants: DING LU, National University of Singapore
RICHARD WANG, AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals
LIZHENG SHI, Global Strategic Pricing and Health Outcomes
JUDY XU, Johns Hopkins University

Jan. 7, 10:15 am

AEA -- The Future of Medicare (Lectures)

Presiding: JONATHAN SKINNER, Dartmouth College
JOSEPH P. NEWHOUSE, Harvard University
MARK McCLELLAN, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
ROBERT REISCHAUER, Urban Institute

Jan. 7, 10:15 am

HERO -- Economics of Substance Use

Presiding: MICHAEL GROSSMAN, City University of New York and NBER

BISAKHA SEN and SHAILENDAR SWAMINATHAN, University of Alabama--Effects of Maternal Substance Abuse during Pregnancy on Child Developmental Issues: Very Low Birthweight versus Normal Birthweight Infants

KEVIN VOLPP, University of Pennsylvania and Philadelphia VA Medical Center, ANDREA GURMANKIN, and CARYN LERMAN, University of Pennsylvania--A Randomized Control Trial of Financial Incentives for Smoking Cessation

DHAVAL DAVE, Bentley College and NBER--The Effects of Cocaine and Heroin Prices on Drug Use among Arrestees

Discussants: HOPE CORMAN, Rider University and NBER
SARA MARKOWITZ, Rutgers University and NBER
GREGORY KRUSE, University of Pennsylvania

Jan. 7, 10:15 am

SGE -- Issues in Health Care

Presiding: DOUGLAS HOLTZ-EAKIN, Congressional Budget Office

ALLISON PERCY, Congressional Budget Office--Health Care for Veterans: A System in Transition

PHILIP ELLIS, Congressional Budget Office--Explanation of CBO's Cost Estimate for Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit

LEIGHTON KU, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities--Approaches to Covering the Low-Income Uninsured

Discussants: GAIL WILENSKY, Project Hope
MARK PAULY, University of Pennsylvania
JOSEPH ANTOS, American Enterprise Institute

Jan. 7, 2:30 pm

AEA -- Insurance Markets and Health Care

Presiding: JONATHAN GRUBER, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

MICHAEL CHERNEW, University of Michigan, DAVID CUTLER, and PATRICIA KEENAN, Harvard University--Increasing Health Insurance Premiums and the Decline in Insurance Coverage

KATHERINE BAICKER and AMITABH CHANDRA, Dartmouth College--Health Care Technology and the Growth of Health Insurance Premiums

MARK PAULY, University of Pennsylvania--Uninsurance and Medical Use and Spending by Moderate-Income Young Women

AMY FINKELSTEIN, Harvard University and NBER, KATHLEEN MCGARRY, University of California-Los Angeles, and AMIR SUFI--Dynamic Inefficiencies in Insurance Markets: Evidence from Long-Term Care Insurance

Discussants: AMITABH CHANDRA, Dartmouth College

ELLEN MEARA, Harvard Medical School

HELEN LEVY, University of Chicago

DARIUS LAKDAWALLA, RAND Corporation

Jan. 7, 2:30 pm

AEA -- Alcohol Taxation and Control

Presiding: PHILIP COOK, Duke University

MICHAEL GROSSMAN, City University of New York, ROBERT KAESTNER, University of Illinois-Chicago, and SARA MARKOWITZ, Rutgers University-Newark--An Investigation of the Effects of Substance Use Policies on Youth Sexually Transmitted Diseases

CHRISTOPHER CARPENTER, University of Michigan--Heavy Alcohol Use and Crime: Evidence from Underage Drunk Driving Laws

DON KENKEL, Cornell University--Are Alcohol Tax Hikes Fully Passed through to Prices? Evidence from Alaska

PHILIP COOK and FRANK SLOAN, Duke University--The Incidence and Fairness of Alcohol Excise Taxes

Discussants: ROSALIE PACULA, RAND Corporation

WILLARD MANNING, University of Chicago

Jan. 7, 2:30 pm

HERO -- Contributed Papers in Health Economics: Insurance and Hospitals

Presiding: J. MICHAEL FITZMAURICE, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

JESSICA BANTHIN and EDWARD MILLER, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality--Persistence in Medicare Prescription Drug Expenditures by Treatment Class

HELEN SCHNEIDER, University of California-Berkeley--Do Non-Profit Hospitals Pay Their Way and Justify Their Favorable Tax Treatment?

CHRISTINE BISHOP, Brandeis University, MARC COHEN, LifePlans, Inc., and BORYANA DIMITROVA, Boston College and LifePlans, Inc.--Private Long-Term Care Insurance Impact on Consumers Choice of Setting and Intensity of Care

Discussants: DENNIS SHEA, Pennsylvania State University
ALLEN DOBSON, Lewin Group, Inc.
VIVIAN HO, Rice University

Jan. 8, 8:00 am

AEA -- Drugs for Developing Countries

Presiding: HENRY GRABOWSKI, Duke University

FREDERIC SCHERER, Harvard University--Patents and Third World Pharmaceutical Supply

WILLIAM DOW, University of California-Berkeley--Pharmaceutical Demand in Latin America

ERNST BERNDT, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, GEORG WEIZSACKER, PIA BRUCE, and MICHAEL KREMER, Harvard University--Estimating the Expected Purchase Volumes Required to Induce Malaria Vaccine R&D Commitments

HENRY GRABOWSKI, DAVID RIDLEY, and JEFF MOE, Duke University--Market Mechanisms to Increase R&D for Important Drugs for Developing Countries

Discussants: HANNAH KETTLER, Gates Foundation
MARGARET KYLE, Duke University
AMY FINKELSTEIN, National Bureau of Economic Research

Jan. 8, 8:00 am

AEA -- Health and Gender

Presiding: KARINE S. MOE, Macalester College

HEATHER BEDNAREK, St. Louis University, CATHY BRADLEY, Michigan State University, and DAVID NEUMARK, Public Policy Institute of California and Michigan State University--Spousal Health Insurance and Labor Supply of Breast and Prostate Cancer Survivors

IRENA DUSHI, International Longevity Center-USA, and MARJORIE HONIG, Hunter College--Household Demand for Employment-Based Health Insurance

KELLY NOONAN, Rider University and NBER, NANCY E. REICHMAN, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and HOPE CORMAN,

Rider University and NBER--Effects of Child Health on Sources of Public Support

LUCIE SCHMIDT, Williams College--Effects of Infertility Insurance Mandates

Discussants: SARANNA THORTON, Hampton Sydney College
DONNA GILLESKIE, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
JANET CURRIE, University of California-Los Angeles
JESSICA REYES, University of Texas-Austin

Jan. 8, 8:00 am

AEA/IHEA -- Behavioral Economics, Health, and Health Care (II)

Presiding: VIVIAN HO, University of Alabama-Birmingham

DAVID Y. CUTLER, ROLAND FRYER, and EDWARD GLAESER, Harvard University--Understanding Racial Differences in Health

SAMUEL M. McCLURE, Princeton University, DAVID I. LAIBSON, Harvard University, GEORGE LOEWENSTEIN, Carnegie Mellon University, and JONATHAN D. COHEN, University of Pittsburgh--Separate Neural Systems Value Immediate and Delayed Monetary Rewards

GEORGE LOEWENSTEIN, Carnegie Mellon University--Conflicts of Interest in Medicine: A Behavioral Economics Perspective

Discussants: TED JOYCE, Baruch College
DANA GOLDMAN, RAND Corporation
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Presiding: JONATHAN SKINNER, Dartmouth College

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ANNA AIZER, Brown University, ADRIANA LLERAS-MUNEY, Princeton University, and MARK STABILE, University of Toronto--Can Access to Care Explain Infant Health Gradients? Evidence from California's DSH Program

DARIUS LAKDAWALLA, RAND Corporation, and TOMAS PHILIPSON, University of Chicago--Food Prices, Nutrition, and Health

Discussants: PAUL GERTLER, University of California-Berkeley
DANA GOLDMAN, RAND Corporation
PATRICIA ANDERSON, Dartmouth College

Jan. 8, 2:30 pm

HERO -- Effects of Competitive and Anti-Comp. Forces on Cardiac Outcomes

Presiding: KEVIN VOLPP, University of Pennsylvania

KEVIN VOLPP, University of Pennsylvania, TAMARA KONETZKA, University of Chicago, and MARK PAULY, University of Pennsylvania--Effects of Price Competition on Hospital Quality

LAURENCE BAKER and CHRIS AFENDULIS, Stanford University and NBER--HMO Market Share, Competition, and Technoogy for AMI Care

VIVIAN HO, University of Alabama-Birmingham and NBER--Do Barriers to Entry in Cardiac Surgery Save Lives and Money?

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HERBERT WONG, AHRQ
ANDREW EPSTEIN, Yale University

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IHEA -- The Economics of Prescription Drug Advertising (I1, L1)

Presiding: RICHARD ARNOULD, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

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W. DAVID BRADFORD, Medical University of South Carolina, ANDREW N. KLEIT, Pennsylvania State University, THOMAS McILWAIN, PAUL J. NEITERT, TERRENCE STEYER, and STEVEN ORNSTEIN, Medical University of South Carolina--The Impact of Direct to Consumer Advertising for Prescription Drugs on Physician Prescribing Behavior

TOSHIAKI IIZUKA, Vanderbilt University, and GINGER Z. JIN, University of Maryland--The Effects of Direct-to-Consumer Advertising in the Prescription Drug Markets

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JESSICA WOLPAW REYES, University of Texas-Austin
MARGARET BYRNE, University of Miami

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AEA -- End of Life Medical Expenditures

Presiding: AMY FINKELSTEIN, National Bureau of Economic Research

AMITABH CHANDRA and KATHERINE BAICKER, Dartmouth College--What Does End-of-Life Medical Spending Buy? Evidence from Treatment of Acute Myocardial Infarction

JOSEPH J. ANGELELLI, Pennsylvania State University, DAVID GRABOWSKI, Harvard Medical School, and JONATHAN GRUBER, Massachusetts Institute of Technology--Nursing Home Quality as a Public Good

JEFFREY BROWN, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign, NORMA COE, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and AMY FINKELSTEIN, National Bureau of Economic Research--Insurance for End-of-Life Medical

Expenditures: The Effect of Medicaid on Long-Term Care Insurance

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ALAN GARBER, National Bureau of Economic Research
LAURENCE BAKER, Stanford University

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HERO -- Contributed Papers in Drugs, Hospitals, and Insurance Economics

Presiding: FRANK SLOAN, Duke University

RICHARD ARNOULD and LARRY DeBROCK, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign--An Overview of the Market for Vaccines in the United States

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TOMAS PHILIPSON, University of Chicago
ALAN GARBER, NBER

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Health Care Safety Net and Crowd-Out of Private Health Insurance

LINDA BLUMBERG, YU-CHU SHEN, MATTHEW BUETTGENS, LISA DUBAY, Urban Institute, and LEN NICHOLS, Center for Studying Health Systems Change--Tax Credits and Public Expansions: The Potential for Reducing the Uninsured

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ALISON CUELLAR, Columbia University, and SARA MARKOWITZ, Rutgers University-Newark--Policy Changes in the Behavioral Health Care System and Their Effect on Suicide

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Discussants: TRACI MACH, Federal Reserve Board

SARA MARKOWITZ, Rutgers University-Newark

DONALD KENKEL, Cornell University

JUDITH SHINOGLA, University of South Carolina

AN INTRODUCTION TO MEASURING EFFICIENCY IN PUBLIC SECTOR ORGANISATIONS:
ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES AND POLICY

Workshop to be held at the Centre for Health Economics, University of York, 10-11 January 2005

Registration Deadline: 17 December 2004

Workshop Presenters: Rowena Jacobs, Peter C Smith and Andrew Street

Overview:

This two-day workshop will provide an introduction to the use of techniques for measuring the relative efficiency of public sector organisations. The two measurement tools concentrated on will be Stochastic Frontier Analysis (SFA) and Data Envelopment Analysis (DEA). Areas to be covered include:

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- the similarities and differences between techniques and
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CHIEF OF PARTY/LONG-TERM ADVISOR FOR HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY
DEVELOPMENT – GEORGIA

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Public Health Intelligence Scholar

WHAT: The Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine (ATPM) with support from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP), is seeking applications for the position of Public Health Intelligence Scholar. The Scholar will serve as an analytic specialist who develops a new area of scholarship dedicated to assessing the benefits of health promotion and disease prevention activities and their relationship to the achievement of Healthy People 2010 objectives. The Scholar will have the opportunity to work closely with health professionals in ODPHP and HHS who have the lead for the medical and health science activities related to this project.

Background

The Public Health Intelligence Scholar is a new position that is part of the ATPM Career Development in Public Health Science and Leadership Program. The Career Development Award is designed to provide career enhancement opportunities to preventive medicine and public health academicians and practitioners by fostering academic and public health partnerships. The position will provide experience in health policy research and incorporate the Scholars technical expertise in support of health promotion and disease prevention programs and activities.

Fellowship Description

The Scholars priority activities will include two components: 1) the creation of a database of effective prevention interventions and 2) the development of an analytic model to assess the relative contribution of various factors associated with health promotion, disease prevention, morbidity, and mortality. This project is entitled Public Health Intelligence Modeling to Achieve a HealthierUS. It is derived, in part, from recent research that attributes premature death to four major categories: inadequate medical care (10%), social and environmental conditions (20%), genetics (30%), and behavioral choices (40%). These categories can be used to create a model that directs the investment of time and resources in a manner that maximizes the benefits of preventive services. This project will work to identify both risk factors and protective factors for selected outcomes. While the relative weights of each category will vary depending on the specific disease or condition, the target population, and the outcome indicator evaluated, the overall framework will provide an important conceptual modeling structure.

Initial topics for modeling include infant mortality, obesity, and colorectal cancer. These conditions are being suggested because of their relevance, scope, and availability of scientific literature that addresses contributing factors. The project will begin with a thorough review of the literature to develop a database of key subfactors that directly affect the four major factors for each of the three conditions. For

example, personal and cultural beliefs regarding colon cancer screening will undoubtedly affect the percentage of screenings performed each year, the number of small early-stage cancers diagnosed, and ultimately the colorectal cancer mortality rate for the nation. The most relevant and significant subfactors for each condition will then be incorporated into a specific public health intelligence model to be used for determining public health priorities, estimating returns from investments, and maximizing the value of investments in health research and services.

This project will require a team of professionals who are familiar with public health principles, medical screening and diagnosis, applied statistics, and economic evaluation. Within ODPHP, there is expertise in the some of these areas. This request for applications is seeking an experienced healthcare economist, biostatistician, or other academician with knowledge and experience in complex modeling design, database design and utilization, and a general understanding of the healthcare delivery system and human disease. ODPHP is requesting one full-time scholar for a period of one year, with the potential to extend the award for up to three years, depending on the needs of the project. This scholar will be recruited, interviewed, and hired through the ATPM Career Development in Public Health Science and Leadership Program.

Funding levels are designed to compensate the scholar at a level commensurate with his or her current salary (within the last 90 days). The award does not make locality or cost of living adjustments.

WHO: The applicant must be a U.S. citizen who possesses a master or doctoral level degree in healthcare economics, biostatistics, or epidemiology AND a minimum of 2 years experience in applied statistics and/or economic evaluation. Additional study or experience in preventive medicine or population-based research is highly desirable. The position maybe filled by a faculty member on sabbatical from their full time institutional responsibilities.

WHEN: The term of service for the Public Health Intelligence Scholar will be one year with the potential to extend the award for up to three years. The Scholar is expected to begin in early 2005.

WHERE: Rockville, MD

DEADLINE: Applications are due by November 30, 2004.

For additional information regarding the application process or administration of the award, please contact:

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CANADIAN COORDINATING OFFICE FOR HEALTH TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT

Health Economist, Health Technology Assessment, HTA
Location: Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Closing date: November 23, 2004

The Canadian Coordinating Office for Health Technology Assessment (CCOHTA) is Canada's independent, authoritative source of evidence-based information on health technologies. We help shape the future of health care in Canada by providing timely, relevant information about medical devices, drugs and best practices.

Our rapidly expanding organization has an immediate need to fill a permanent opportunity. Reporting to the Vice President, HTA, the Health Economist, HTA is responsible for designing and conducting economic evaluations, budget impact analyses and reviews of published studies as part of health technology assessments, and reporting on the same. As well, the Health Economist will assemble and manage interdisciplinary teams of researchers to undertake economic analyses of health technologies.

Responsibilities:

§ Manage and coordinate the efforts of project team members to ensure project objectives are met on time. Select team members to ensure the required skill set is present and monitors efforts toward report completion.

§ Design and undertake economic evaluations, budget impact analyses, and reviews of economic evidence of health technologies and develop computer-based economic models to perform economic evaluations and budget impact analyses.

§ Produce required HTA reports

§ Negotiate and manage contracts with external experts to support the quality and targeted quantity of economics reports. Liaise with external consultants and contractors and oversees their work

§ Represent CCOHTA at meetings, conferences and other events

§ Provide input to and review draft sections and reports of other researchers, including project team members

§ Maintain current knowledge of economic methodologies for the assessment of health technologies

§ Produce publications in peer-reviewed journals

Requirements:

§ The minimum level of knowledge required is a Masters degree in economics, advanced training in the economic evaluation of health technologies, plus at least two years experience in health services research. Other combinations of relevant experience plus a graduate degree in a related quantitative discipline will also be considered.

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CANADIAN OPTIMAL MEDICATION PRESCRIBING AND UTILIZATION SERVICE

Health Economist, Canadian Optimal Medication Prescribing and Utilization Service, COMPUS

Location: Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

Closing date: December 17, 2004

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Responsibilities:

- Collect and evaluate information on best practices and best practice initiatives to ensure information sources are evidence-based (with respect to pharmacoeconomic evidence) and initiatives are cost-effective.
- Liaise with experts in the field to gather information, promote best practices and to research various evaluation methodologies.
- Develop evaluation templates.
- Provide input to catalogues of experts, evidence-based best practice information, and cost-effective best practice initiatives
- Contribute to the development of material for toolkits to be used externally in the implementation and evaluation of best practice initiatives
- Assist in preparing policy, guidelines and procedures for the COMPUS directorate

Requirements:

- A minimum of a graduate degree, or equivalent with a combination of education and experience, in either Health Economics or Economics with at least 2-4 years of experience in health services research and/or the economic evaluation of pharmaceuticals.
- Knowledge of methodologies for the economic evaluation of best practice information sources and initiatives to promote best practices.
- Ability to understand, express and apply evaluation concepts and methods
- Ability to develop indicators and outcome measures
- Excellent writing and communication skills
- Ability to work well in a multidisciplinary team environment, as well as independently

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CDC is offering several postdoctoral fellowships in Prevention
Effectiveness

(PE) methods in 2005. Fellows will design and conduct studies in areas of applied economics, economic evaluations of public health interventions, and

quantitative policy analyses; work closely with national and international public health experts; and teach courses for training in prevention effectiveness methods. Applicants must have a Ph.D. or equivalent in economics, decision sciences, health services research, industrial engineering, operations research, or quantitative policy analysis. Fellowships begin the end of June 2005 for two years with a starting salary of \$63,709 plus benefits. Deadline for submission of application materials is February 1, 2005.

CONTACT: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Attn:
Patrice Kemp, MPH, Fellowship Coordinator, 1600 Clifton Road,

Mail Stop E90, Atlanta, GA 30333 (404) 498-6324;
FAX (404) 498-6145, pkemp@cdc.gov;
or visit us on line at: www.cdc.gov/epo/fellow.htm

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

Health Services Research Positions

The Office of Research, Development, & Information in CMS, a U.S. Government agency, is recruiting researchers and health policy analysts with a research background to perform health services research and policy development and analysis in the following areas: Drug benefit studies, Payment system development, Designing, implementing and evaluating demonstrations and Medicare programs; Impact studies of changes in payment and delivery systems; Risk adjustment for capitated services and quality measures; Expanding access to coverage; Disparities in health care; Managed care and care coordination; Employer sponsored insurance; and Financing of care for low-income populations.

We are seeking candidates with research backgrounds at various levels with knowledge and skill in: Quantitative methods, especially, but not limited to, econometric methods; Use of program administrative and survey data for program evaluation and analysis; Concepts of survey design; Aspects of the Medicare, Medicaid, and State Children's Health Insurance Programs; Project specification and management of extramural research; Communications, both written and oral, including research dissemination activities and policy analysis; Knowledge of payment and delivery systems; Translation of research and data analysis into policy and policy analysis skills; and Developing, enhancing and utilizing integrated analytic data bases for the study of chronic diseases.

A good candidate would be analytical, flexible, and willing to work cooperatively in policy-relevant areas with other researchers, non-researchers and policy officials. Our work has very real and significant implications for the program and our beneficiaries.

Research positions are located in the main CMS office complex in Baltimore, MD; Policy Analyst positions are in Washington, D.C. Salary commensurate with experience up to GS-13 level.

U.S. CITIZENSHIP IS REQUIRED

Resumes should be sent to:

Jeanne Wise
CMS/ORDI
7500 Security Boulevard
C3-24-07
Baltimore, MD 21244
jwise@cms.hhs.gov

FAMILY HEALTH INTERNATIONAL

Family Health International**
Senior Associate(Economics)

Location: Research Triangle, North Carolina

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BASIC FUNCTION

The Senior Research Associate (Economics) (SRA(E)) has responsibility for technical planning for projects in operations research which emphasize economic aspects of reproductive health and HIV/AIDS services. The SRA(E) spends 50% time working on the HORIZONS Project, and 50% time working on other FHI projects. The position reports to the Senior Associate for Health Economics, Health Services Research Division in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS: DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES*

1. Provide technical assistance in planning and implementing operations research projects in the economics of HIV/AIDS prevention, HIV/AIDS care and support services, and family planning and reproductive health. This includes developing study protocols; designing data collection instruments; developing work plans, subcontracts and budgets; analyzing data; and preparing reports and papers summarizing study findings.
2. Assist in developing methodologies and carries out studies to evaluate costs, cost effectiveness and funding options for the provision of HIV/AIDS prevention, HIV/AIDS care and support services, and family planning and reproductive health services
3. Conduct studies to help program managers identify and implement solutions to improve HIV/AIDS prevention, HIV/AIDS care and support services, and family planning and reproductive health services, and conducts evaluations to determine the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of such efforts.
4. Conduct studies to help program managers evaluate the impact of different strategies for improving HIV/AIDS prevention, HIV/AIDS care and support services, and family planning and reproductive health services including various options for increasing sustainability such as cost recovery and cost containment.
5. Provide technical assistance to help program managers use the results of programmatic research, and organizes workshops and seminars to share research results with appropriate audiences.
6. Serve as a resource person to the staff of HORIZONS on economic issues in HIV/AIDS prevention and HIV/AIDS care and support service delivery.
7. Coordinate and implements project activities with a multidisciplinary and culturally diverse technical staff.
8. Prepare reports and papers for submission to professional publications and meetings.

9. Performs other duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Sound knowledge of literature covering methodologies to determine the costs and cost-effectiveness of HIV/AIDS prevention, HIV/AIDS care and support services, and family planning and reproductive health services.

Appropriate computer skills necessary to conduct research projects and conduct analysis of study data.

Demonstrated ability to conduct statistical analysis and prepare manuscripts for publication.

Ability to present information clearly, both orally and in writing, and to provide leadership to others in development of a research area.

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MINIMUM RECRUITMENT STANDARDS*

Ph.D. with at least 3-5 years experience or MA/MS with at least 3-7 years experience demonstrating a professional level of knowledge and expertise in programmatic and economic research. Demonstrated ability in computer applications related to data analysis. Proficiency in Spanish or French. Prefer previous research experience in a developing country.

CLASSIFICATION

FHI Grade 9 This position is exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act and incumbent employees are not eligible to earn overtime compensation.

To Apply, please send cover letter and resume to:

***Ms. Jill Solomon**
Global Recruitment Specialists
91 Oakview Terrace, Short Hills, NJ 07078 USA
Telefax: 973-379-7325 USA
E-mail: jillsolomo@aol.com
Web: www.globalrecruitment.net*

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY POSITIONS IN RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH CARE ECONOMICS/FINANCE
Georgia State University, J. Mack Robinson College of Business

The Department of Risk Management and Insurance at Georgia State University invites applications for a tenure-track positions at the assistant professor level in the area of health care economics or finance. The position will commence in Fall 2005. The Department is in the second year of hiring a total of six additional faculty members for the purpose of forming a cross-disciplinary group to conduct fundamental research on the economics of uncertainty and on the management and pricing of risk. Two new faculty members were added in fall 2004.

The Department of Risk Management and Insurance is one of the oldest and most influential risk management programs in the U.S.

Beginning in academic year 2003, and continuing in 2004 and 2005, the Department began assembling a group of six junior faculty members trained in the most advanced methods for a coordinated study of risk management problems at their most fundamental levels. Salaries will be competitive and appropriate research support and funds will be provided. Teaching loads will be commensurate with the highest research expectations to ensure that the group has the opportunity to publish in the major journals in economics and finance.

Qualifications

Health Economics/Financing: Qualified candidates for the position will have a completed Ph.D. in economics, finance, operational research, statistics, or related field by the time of appointment. For the position in health economics and finance we are interested in those with strong methodological interests in operations research or structural econometrics and an interest in solving large scale problems in managing health risks. This position will be a joint appointment in Risk Management with a secondary appointment in the Institute for Health Administration. Teaching responsibilities will be primarily in the Institute for Health Administration.

Application Process

For further information, contact the chair of the search committee. Applicants should send a curriculum vita, a statement of research interests and teaching experience, three letters of recommendation, and recent publications or working papers to:

Martin F. Grace, Chair
Search Committee
Department of Risk Management and Insurance
Robinson College of Business
P.O. Box 4036
Atlanta, GA 30302-4036
Tel: 404-651-2789

Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their materials electronically via e-mail to rmijob2@gsu.edu. Please put Search #2 in the subject line of any electronic correspondence. Please see our official announcement at www.rmi.gsu.edu

Interviews can be scheduled for the 2005 Allied Social Sciences Association Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. Preference will be given to applications received by December 1, 2004.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER AND ENCOURAGES APPLICATIONS FROM QUALIFIED MINORITIES.

GLAXOSMITHKLINE

Health Outcomes Manager

Candidates will have a minimum of 3-4 years experience working in pharmaceutical industry, managed care, hospital, academic or healthcare consulting environment including 2 years Health Outcomes experience

in a pharmaceutical industry environment

Job Responsibilities:

To lead the design, implementation and delivery of health outcomes and market access plans for a specific disease area to support the commercialization of GSK products in Europe through the European Centre of Excellence.

Key Responsibilities:

- Develop, implement and deliver EU Therapy Area Health Outcomes and Market Access plan(s) for product/disease area aligned to EU commercial strategy in order to secure reimbursement, market access/formulary listing and to support promotion and optimal pricing.
- Collaborate with EU and global matrix team colleagues to influence development of global product development strategy to meet EU requirements.
- Contribute fully as part of the European team to the wider strategic aims of the European Centre of Excellence.
- Lead the design of EU-focused HO and market access programs, frameworks, value packages, tools, detail aids, slides sets, studies and instruments.
- Conduct studies to generate HO data, and develop economic models to demonstrate the economic and humanistic benefits of GSK products in a rigorous and timely manner.
- Effective communication of health outcome and market access plans and deliverables, both to internal and external audiences, particularly at senior stakeholder level.
- Work effectively with local operating company staff to gain input to projects and to implement initiatives.
- Maintain strong links with European Pricing group.
- Develop and maintain excellent working relations with external HO and reimbursement experts/thought leaders.
- Work effectively with government and patient lobbying groups.
- Effective project management of external consultants/Clinical Research Organisations/third parties to achieve project objectives within timelines and within budget.
- Supervision of students and contractors as required.
- Management of EU HO product/disease area budget.
- Strong knowledge of EU healthcare markets and needs of healthcare decision-makers and influencers.
- Maintain technical expertise in Health Outcomes Research.
- Expertise in cardiovascular and metabolic therapy areas would be an advantage.

Job Location:

Location: please note that the Antithrombotic position will be based in either Paris or London (Greenford). The Metabolic position will be Stockley Park with some time spent at Greenford. Please state on your application your location preference.

Both require some EU travel.

Job Requirements:

- A Masters, Pharm.D., Ph.D. degree in economics, public health, healthcare/services research, health policy, business, clinical

pharmacy, pharmacy administration, behavioural science, biostatistics, or epidemiology.

- Specific training in health economics/Health Related Quality of Life /disease/economic modelling/outcomes research essential if not core to main educational qualifications.

- Minimum of 3-4 years experience working in pharmaceutical industry, managed care, hospital, academic or healthcare consulting environment including 2 years Health Outcomes experience in a pharmaceutical industry environment

To Apply:

(Closing date: 19th November 2004)

Please use the "cover letter" of your online application to confirm your preference in location, to describe how you meet the requirements of the role (however you are also welcome to include other information such as salary expectations, dates you may be unavailable to interview, etc)

In return for your expertise and commitment, you'll benefit from excellent training from experience staff. We offer a competitive salary that is supported by generous benefits including bonus, pension and medical plans, share matching scheme, profit-related pay, generous holidays and, where appropriate, relocation expenses.

For confidential consideration and efficient processing, please apply online at:

http://careers.peopleclick.com/client40_gsk/BU1/External_Pages_UK/newcandidate.asp?Source=HE&JobID=16833

Please only apply by clicking on this link or by cutting and pasting it into your web browser.

GlaxoSmithKline is an equal opportunities employer and is proud to promote an open culture, encouraging people to be themselves and giving their ideas a chance to flourish.

Thank you for taking the time and effort to apply for this role. Please note that we will only contact you again if you are invited for an interview.

All data processed in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY PURDUE UNIVERSITY INDIANAPOLIS

HEALTH ECONOMIST/POLICY ANALYST

School of Public and Environmental Affairs
Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis

The Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA) at the IUPUI campus seeks a health economist with a focus in

health policy for appointment at associate or full professor. The successful candidate will be expected to lead a major new initiative in health policy and to teach in degree programs in both health administration and public affairs. A Ph.D. and a strong record of externally funded research in the area of health policy are required. The successful candidate must be able to work collaboratively with SPEA faculty in health administration and with faculty in the schools of medicine, nursing, law, and liberal arts. Participation in interdisciplinary projects organized through research centers on the IUPUI campus, including SPEA's Center for Urban Policy and the Environment and Medicine's Regenstrief Institute, also will be expected.

SPEA is a multi-disciplinary, university-wide division of Indiana University, organized as a professional school committed to excellence in teaching, research, and civic engagement, that addresses critical issues of public policy and management. With more than 100 faculty on eight campuses, SPEA is the largest school in the United States offering programs in public affairs. The graduate program consistently ranks among the best in the nation.

Application Process

Review of applications will begin in December 2004 and will continue until the position is filled. Please submit a letter of application, current vita, complete contact information, and the names, street and email addresses, and telephone numbers of four references to:

Greg Lindsey, Ph.D.
Associate Dean and Professor
School of Public and Environmental Affairs
IUPUI
801 W. Michigan Street, BS 3025
Indianapolis, IN 46202

For more information see <http://www.spea.iupui.edu/Faculty/openings.asp>

Indiana University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer, Educator and Contractor, M/F/D and strongly committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The university actively encourages applications and nominations of women, persons of color, applicants with disabilities and members of other underrepresented groups.

MCMASTER UNIVERSITY

Applications are invited for a tenure-track position in the field of health economics at the level of Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics, McMaster University. The position commences July 1, 2005. The Department of Economics is a research-intensive academic unit with responsibilities for teaching and supervision of undergraduate, M.A. and Ph.D. students in economics. The Department has recognized areas of strength in health economics, labour economics, population economics, public economics, applied econometrics, experimental economics, international economics, macroeconomics and money, and microeconomics and industrial organization. All qualified candidates with

a strong interest in health economics are invited to apply.

The successful candidate will be eligible for membership in McMaster's University's Centre for Health Economics and Policy Analysis, which is an internationally recognized health research organization whose research programmes span the full spectrum of health economic and health policy analysis. The appointee will hold, or be in the advanced stages of working towards, a Ph.D. in economics, will be expected to participate in teaching undergraduate and graduate students, to supervise doctoral students, and to contribute in particular to a new graduate program in economic policy. As well, the successful candidate will carry out an independent research programme yielding significant peer-reviewed publications.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be considered first for this position. McMaster University is strongly committed to employment equity within its community, and to recruiting a diverse faculty and staff. The University encourages applications from all qualified candidates, including women, members of visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, members of sexual minorities, and persons with disabilities.

Interested candidates should send a letter of application and a curriculum vitae to:

Jeremiah Hurley, Associate Chair, Department of Economics,
McMaster University, 1280 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario,
Canada, L8S 4M4, telephone: (905) 525-9140 x 24593, facsimile:
(905) 521-8232, electronic mail: hurley@mcmaster.ca.

The Department will contact referees directly for supporting letters. Candidates should submit the names of three potential referees for the Department's consideration.

The Department will begin reviewing applications in November 2004.

UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY, NEW JERSEY

Assistant Professor, School of Public Health, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey

Location: Piscataway/New Brunswick New Jersey

Closing date: 01 December 2004

The Department of Health Systems and Policy, School of Public Health, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, is seeking a new or recent Ph.D. for a tenure track position as an assistant professor. Ph.D. candidates who are expecting to complete their degrees by Fall 2005 are also encouraged to apply. The successful candidate will have expertise in one or more of the following areas: health economics, applied microeconomics, public economics, or labor& demographic economics. The position entails teaching responsibilities in the department's MPH and Ph.D. degree programs and research activities in the School's newly established Center for Health Economics and Health Policy.

Opportunities also exist for collaboration with faculty at Rutgers University, including its Economics Department, its Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research, and its Center for State Health Policy. Particular consideration will be given to candidates who have interests in the economics of health behaviors, private and public health insurance, or the economics of aging and disability. To receive full consideration for interviews at the 2005 AEA meetings in Philadelphia, candidates should submit their curriculum vita, a writing sample, and three letters of recommendation by December 1, 2004. An equal opportunity employer.

Please send applications to: Professor Alan Monheit, Department of Health Systems and Policy, School of Public Health, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, 683 Hoes Lane West, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854-5635.

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

PRINCIPAL/SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW (HEALTH ECONOMICS)
Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research
The University of Melbourne
\$72,932-\$96,748 plus superannuation (Level C/D).
Closing date: 10th December

The Melbourne Institute is seeking to expand its capacity in health economics research following its appointment of Professor Anthony Scott. Research is to focus on incentives, financing and organisation of the health care system. The Institute is located within the Faculty of Economics and Commerce and has strong links with the Department of Economics and the School of Population Health. As well as contributing strongly to the academic literature, the Institute has a well developed policy focus with long-established links to government and business.

Contact: Professor Peter Dawkins, Director, p.dawkins@unimelb.edu.au;
Professor Anthony Scott, a.scott@unimelb.edu.au; Dr. Beth Webster,
Director Applied Microeconomics Research Programme,
e.webster@unimelb.edu.au

Further details are available at:
www.unimelb.edu.au/pds/Y0014879.pdf
www.unimelb.edu.au/pds/Y0014880.pdf
www.melbourneinstitute.com

MOSAIC HEALTH CARE CONSULTANTS

Position: Health Economics Senior Associate
Location: San Francisco, CA or Boston, MA

About Mosaic

Mosaic is a health care consulting firm specializing in reimbursement, health economics, and outcomes research work for pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device, and diagnostics clients. Our goal is to provide our customers with the tools they need to demonstrate the clinical and economic utility of their products and to successfully

secure reimbursement from public and private payers.

Available Position

Mosaic is currently seeking a health economics senior associate to conduct economic analyses for new health care technologies. Ideal candidate will have experience developing health-related, decision-analytic models and Markov models using both Excel and TreeAge or other applicable decision analytic software. Candidate should also have experience writing model documentation and manuscripts related to model results.

Qualifications

Applicants should have Masters or above in related field, strong analytic capabilities, 3-5 years computer modeling experience, excellent written and verbal communication skills, and the ability to read, understand, and synthesize medical literature.

Please send cover letters and resumes to:

Chris Santas
ccsantas@earthlink.net

NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS

Deputy Director, Division of Health Care Statistics, National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Location: Hyattsville, Maryland (suburban Washington, DC), U.S.A.
Closing Date: 9 Dec. 2004

The National Center for Health Statistics, the U.S. federal health statistics agency, is seeking a Deputy Director for its Division of Health Care Statistics. This Division conducts and analyzes the National Health Care Survey, a family of provider surveys that collect information from hospitals (National Hospital Discharge Survey, National Hospital Ambulatory Care Survey), physician offices (National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey), and long-term care facilities (National Nursing Home Survey). The data pertain to patients' encounters, and include characteristics of the health-care facilities, services, and patients. Researchers and policymakers use these data to evaluate and monitor the health care provided. (See www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhcs.htm.)

The Deputy Director plans and oversees the Division's activities, and represents the Division with federal and non-federal health organizations. The successful candidate will be able to assist in managing a public health research organization, directing related research, applying innovative approaches to improve the Division and its work, preparing high-quality written materials, and dealing effectively with a range of officials and organizations. For this GS-15 position, candidates must hold U.S. citizenship and have training and experience in statistics; social or behavior sciences, including economics; health sciences; or related fields.

For further information, see <https://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/hhs.exe>, under positions open at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Vacancy announcement numbers HHS-CDC-T1-2005-0421, HHS-CDC-T1-2005-0047, and HHS-CDC-T1-2005-0049 are for U.S. citizens with no previous federal experience required. Current or former federal employees and certain others may apply under HHS-CDC-T1-2005-0420, HHS-CDC-T1-2005-0046, and HHS-CDC-T1-2005-0048. For further information, please contact Vicki Perkins, Human Resources Specialist, at vdp5@cdc.gov or 1-770-488-1953, or Jane Sisk, Division Director, at jsisk@cdc.gov or 1-301-458-4157.

OXFORD OUTCOMES

Position for a research assistant in health economics at Oxford Outcomes

We are seeking to expand health economic capacity at our Oxford UK office.

Oxford Outcomes was founded in 1997 as a specialist outcomes research and health economics consultancy. Since then we have developed into a leading provider of outcomes research, cross-cultural validation of quality of life instruments and health economics to the UK and European markets. Our recent merger with Occam Research in Vancouver, and the imminent opening of an office in Connecticut, also results in a substantial North American presence.

Research Assistant (Health Economics)

We are seeking to recruit a research assistant to work with our health economics team on a range of research and consultancy projects. This position would suit an academically-minded individual who is passionate about research, eager to develop their health economics skills, and willing to assist other members of the research team with project requirements. We offer a competitive salary and benefits package together with a bonus scheme.

The successful candidate will assist the health economics team with literature searches, data collection, and other project support tasks. They will also assist in performing health economic evaluations and discrete choice experiments, utility elicitation, literature reviews and building economic models as appropriate. It is envisaged that with time the successful candidate will develop their skills and start to work on projects of their own.

The ideal candidate will possess:

- a Master's level in health economics or related discipline (epidemiology/statistics)
- an understanding of the concepts of health economic evaluation.
- some experience of research during or after their studies.
- well-developed written and oral communication skills.
- a high level of numeracy with well-developed quantitative skills.
- the ability to work effectively as part of a team.

Our ethos

We aim to deliver high quality research and to advance health economic methodology through a highly professional approach. Within this

framework our research staff are expected to be creative, and to develop expertise that meets the needs of the developing health economics market. We recognise the importance of the people within the company and actively encourage professional development, attendance at conferences and publication in high calibre peer-reviewed journals.

We are an energetic and expanding company with tremendous growth prospects. Our health economics reputation is growing fast, and new staff have an excellent opportunity to contribute to the company's expansion. If you are passionate about research, and would like to develop your skills as part of a growing team, then we would like to hear from you.

For more information please visit our website at www.oxfordoutcomes.com or contact Michael Lees for an informal discussion. To apply for a position, please send your CV and a covering letter explaining what you could bring to the company to Michael Lees by Friday November 19: michael.lees@oxfordoutcomes.com, Tel: ++44 (0)1865

ROCHE UK

Associate Health Economist, Roche UK

Roche is one of the world's leading research-based healthcare groups. With the aim of enhancing people's health and quality of life, our core businesses in pharmaceuticals and diagnostics provide innovative products and services for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of disease. In the UK, Roche employs nearly 2,500 people in prescription medicines, diagnostics and clinical development.

The Healthcare Management Directorate at Roche UK is a multidisciplinary team providing advice, support and solutions in partnership with local NHS organisations. We work closely with government bodies, healthcare professionals and patient groups to help create NHS funding, capacity and infrastructure in disease areas which include cancer, anaemia, obesity, osteoporosis, virology and transplantation.

OUTLINE OF ROLE

A unique head-office based opportunity has arisen to gain experience across a broad range of disciplines, including cost effectiveness analysis, health outcomes projects and the development of market access solutions and materials.

- As an Associate Health Economist, you will be given the opportunity to assist in the development of national economic submissions to NICE, SMC and AWMSG and develop high quality robust health economic models and financial models estimating budget impact. You will assist our health economics and health outcomes team in defining the UK requirements for clinical and economic evidence to be delivered by our global organisation.
- You will work in partnership with our head-office and field-based market access teams in designing, developing and validating innovative and practical economic materials and models for use with our healthcare customers.

YOUR EXPERIENCE

You will have a first degree in economics, statistics or life sciences and ideally a relevant postgraduate qualification (health economics, statistics or operational research). Demonstrating strong conceptual and analytical skills, you will be able to communicate with a wide range of individuals and be an effective and practical team player. A flexible approach, along with a clear understanding of the role of health economics in the modern UK NHS is important.

CLOSING DATE

Friday 19th November 2004

Please e-mail your CV, including current salary details and quoting the reference AHECF, to: prx.recruitment@roche.com or post your application to: The PRX Recruitment Officer, 40/1, 40 Broadwater Road, Welwyn Garden City, Herts AL7 3AY.

RTI HEALTH SOLUTIONS

Senior Director, Pricing and Reimbursement

RTI Health Solutions (RTI-HS), a business unit of RTI International*, is seeking a seasoned professional with 5-10 years global experience in pricing and reimbursement (P&R) in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, or medical device industry. We are seeking a leader with the training and experience to build a world class P&R capability within RTI-HS, and who is excited by the challenge of working with a strong and fast-growing team of scientists and consultants in assessing and communicating the value of pharmaceutical and medical products.

RTI-HS provides consulting and research expertise to pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and medical device companies to assess and communicate the value of their products. With an internationally recognized team of economists, epidemiologists, psychometricians, statisticians, and clinical research professionals, RTI-HS provides a broad range of multinational research and consulting services.

This is an outstanding opportunity for the right person to work with a world class team and build an integrated P&R capability to offer superior services to the pharmaceutical, biotech, and medical device industry.

Key Responsibilities for Senior Director, Pricing and Reimbursement:

Within RTI-HS, develop an integrated, value based, pricing and reimbursement service:

- Providing strategic pricing guidance for all phases of the product life cycle
- Ensuring that clinical programs are consistent with pricing and reimbursement strategies
- Creating global and regional pricing and reimbursement strategies
- Advising on local reimbursement strategies and supporting formulary acceptance
- Advising on policy issues affecting pricing
- Developing pricing processes and supportive systems

- Leveraging other RTI-HS functional areas for P&R, and services, and seamlessly integrating these offerings to our clients.

This is a position with global responsibilities which will be based in Research Triangle Park, NC, USA.

To apply, please email your CV to sssjobs@rti.org or fax to 919-316-3791 attn: D. Schuchman.

SCHWARZ PHARMA AG

SCHWARZ PHARMA is a listed company with 3,800 employees worldwide. We develop and market innovative drugs focused on the therapeutic areas neurology, urology and cardiovascular and gastro-intestinal diseases. In 2003 the SCHWARZ PHARMA group achieved global sales of € 1,5 billion. Our company culture is based on innovation, teamwork in a global environment. You will find that we have a convincing strategy as well as plenty of space for individual empowerment.

To further improve our performance and success we are looking to strengthen our team based at our HQ in Monheim, Germany with the following positions:

Manager Pricing and Reimbursement (m/f)

In this position you will help us in gaining access to markets with strategies for demonstrating the value of our products to payers and authorities. Therefore you provide key pricing & reimbursement deliverables (Pricing Strategy and Value Dossier) for registration, pricing and reimbursement, and marketing of selected SCHWARZ PHARMA brands. Furthermore you deliver state of the art pricing analysis and support our affiliates in terms of reimbursement and price negotiations. You should proactively identify and recommend the appropriate research techniques which fit the specific issues related to individual products. You manage payer surveys and price-related market research together with appropriate consultants and you are responsible for the timelines and the budget.

To come up with the permanently changing global environment for pricing and reimbursement you are an accomplished professional (economics, natural sciences, pharmacy) with a post-graduate qualification in public health, epidemiology, statistics, or HE and you have gained at least 3 years of relevant experience, preferably in the pharmaceutical industry or a consulting agency. On top of that we expect strong analytical, methodological, and strategic skills in pricing, market research, and economic evaluations.

Your talents include excellent interpersonal and intercultural skills to facilitate interactions in global multidisciplinary teams.

Manager Health Economics and Outcomes Research (m/f)

In this position you will generate health outcomes data which optimally support reimbursement/ formulary addition of products in our key markets. You will prepare Global Product Value Dossiers as well as HE models.

You will be responsible for all aspects of strategic input, health economic parameters, and the development of sociometric instruments for our clinical development program. This also means to provide key health economic deliverables (HE Profile, HE Strategy and HE Dossier) for registration, pricing and reimbursement, input into the product lifecycle and to manage scientific publications to support continued market access and penetration.

As an accomplished professional (economics, natural sciences, pharmacy or medicine) with a post-graduate qualification in public health, epidemiology, statistics, or HE you have gained at least 3 years of relevant experience, preferably in the pharmaceutical industry, a consulting agency, reimbursement authority, health economics, outcomes research, or clinical research. Furthermore we expect strong analytical, methodological, and strategic skills in the area of patient reported outcomes and economic evaluations.

Your talents include excellent interpersonal and intercultural skills to facilitate interactions in global multidisciplinary teams.

For either or both positions:

Our company language is English, German language skills would be an asset. The remuneration reflects the requirements and your qualifications.

Interested? Then we look forward to hearing from you. Please send your application preferably online or in writing to SCHWARZ PHARMA AG, Human Resources, Alfred-Nobel-Str. 10, 40789 Monheim.

SOUTH UNIVERSITY

SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS
South University--Savannah

CALL FOR SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS IN HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT

South University is in the process of launching an exciting new online Bachelor of Science Degree program in Healthcare Management. South University is owned and operated by Education Management Corporation (EDMC). EDMC (www.edmc.com) is among the largest providers of private post-secondary education in North America, based on student enrollment and revenue, with over 58,000 students as of Fall 2003. EDMC has 67 primary campus locations in 24 states and two Canadian provinces. EDMC's education institutions offer a broad range of academic programs in the media arts, design, fashion, culinary arts, behavioral sciences, health sciences, education, information technology and business fields, culminating in the award of associate's through doctoral degrees. EDMC has provided career-oriented education for over 40 years, and its education institutions have more than 150,000 alumni.

Originally founded as Draughon's Practical Business College in 1899 in Savannah, Ga., South University is a private academic institution offering focused and balanced curricula at the associate's, bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels in business, information technology, health professions, and legal studies

at its four campuses located in Savannah, Montgomery, Ala., West Palm Beach, Fla., and Columbia, S.C. South University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, 404.679.4501) as a Level V institution eligible to award associate, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees.

The new Bachelor of Science Degree program in Healthcare Management will award the degree following the completion of forty-five courses. The curriculum has been designed to conform to The Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) Criteria for Certification. The core business and liberal arts courses have already been developed. We are now seeking to contract with individuals who can qualify as Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) for one or more of fifteen courses in healthcare management:

SMEs are responsible for developing all course materials, based on an approved course syllabus and course design specifications. Each SME is paired with an Instructional Designer to work in a well-defined process to produce a course design, including online lectures, weekly assignments, and ancillary course materials, as well as notes for facilitators and media ideas for the course. The instructional designer is responsible for the educational integrity of the course. South University's Department Chair for Healthcare Management is responsible for assuring that each course meets the educational standards of South University and complies with all licensure and accreditation requirements. Courses are delivered fully online in a five and a half week session of a two-session academic quarter.

The fifteen courses that comprise the major curriculum in Healthcare Management, and for which we seek SMEs are listed below.

1. Issues in Public Health
2. Healthcare Delivery System
3. Issues and Trends in Healthcare
4. Health Services Organization and Delivery
5. Economics of Healthcare
6. Ethics and Law for Administrators
7. Healthcare Finance
8. Healthcare Marketing and Strategy
9. Health Information Management Systems
10. Risk Management in Health Settings
11. Research Methods in Health Administration
12. Leadership in Healthcare Organizations
13. Leadership in Healthcare Org. – Internship
14. Case Studies in Health Administration
15. Strategic Management in Healthcare Org.

If you are interested in becoming involved in this exciting new educational program, and in serving as an SME for any of the above mentioned fifteen courses, please e-mail your resume with a cover letter, which summarizes the academic and work experience that qualifies you to be a SME for the subject(s) you have interest in. Preferred qualifications for the SME are:

1. An earned doctoral degree in field of the subject matter to be taught.

2. Alternatively, a candidate may possess a master's degree, with 18 hours in the field and extensive professional experience related to the subject matter of the course.

3. Candidate must demonstrate competence, effectiveness, and capacity, including, as appropriate, undergraduate and graduate degrees, related work experiences in the field, professional licensure and certifications, honors and awards, continuous documented excellence in teaching, or other demonstrated competencies and achievements that contribute to effective teaching and student learning outcomes.

Candidates must be able to devote a minimum of 80 hours on the development of each course. Work will be conducted entirely online and through telephone conferences. No travel is required. No former experience with e-learning is required. Compensation is competitive and will be fixed at a not to exceed, negotiated amount.

Send resume and cover letter to mperlin@southuniversity.edu.

USAID DIVISION OF HEALTH SYSTEMS

Health and Child Survival Fellows Program
Johns Hopkins University

Fellow: TBN

Assignment: USAID Health Systems Advisor

Application Deadline: December 8, 2004

Assignment Dates: Two years from date of hire. A two year extension is possible for a total of four years

Location: Division of Health Systems
Office of Health, Infectious Diseases
and Nutrition
Bureau for Global Health
U.S. Agency for International Development
Ronald Reagan Building
Washington, DC

Sponsorship: USAID/GH/HIDN/HS

Objectives of the Health and Child Survival Fellows Program: This program identifies and places professionals who are new to USAID in positions as technical advisors with USAID or other similar agencies. Please visit <http://jhuhcsfp.org> for more information.

Purpose of this Fellowship: This fellowship plays a key role in the Health Systems division of USAID's Bureau for Global Health's Office of Health, Infectious Disease and Nutrition in the development and oversight of a new health financing, policy, and management

strengthening project with worldwide scope, the provision of technical assistance to USAID missions in health financing, policy and management, and the identification and response to new opportunities to improve the health impact of USAID's work by strengthening health systems.

Challenges: The Health Systems Division of the USAID Global Health Bureau's Office of Health, Infectious Disease and Nutrition faces a number of important challenges that this fellowship is intended to contribute to addressing. These include the following:

§ Design, procure, launch, and manage a new USAID health system strengthening global activity.

§ Advance a global health system strengthening agenda in support of health Millennium Development Goals, Roll Back Malaria, Stop TB, 3 by 5, PEPFAR, the Child Survival Partnership, etc.

§ Mainstream health system strengthening support in USAID field operations in reproductive, maternal and child health, infectious disease control, HIV/AIDS.

§ Develop and articulate a systematic vision of health system performance and health system strengthening with USAID PHN colleagues in Global Health Bureau (reproductive, maternal and child health, infectious diseases, HIV/AIDS), missions and partners. Define health system strengthening in terms of health impact.

§ Foster increased health system strengthening knowledge, capacity and skills within USAID.

§ Promote increased understanding of the importance of health system strengthening for improving the impact of foreign assistance in health among US policymakers.

§ Go to scale with promising health system strengthening approaches: national health accounts, mutual health organizations, performance-based contracting, etc.

§ Identify unfinished knowledge building agenda in health system strengthening and stimulate progress toward addressing it.

Tasks

Field support: Provide USAID missions with direct technical assistance in health system strengthening, with particular emphasis on PHN strategy development, project design and strategy or project evaluation. (Estimated 20% time)

Project development: Participate in development of new USAID health system strengthening global activity. The activity is expected to focus on health policy and finance with more limited attention to human resources, commodities and health information. Conduct broad consultations, develop the project description, explore feasibility, assist with procurement. (Estimated 20% of time in first year)

Project management: Co-manage USAID new health system strengthening global activity. Design USAID management systems. Oversee implementation through headquarters and field visits. Liaise with clients. Develop and defend budget proposals. Approve workplans. Assess performance. Track financial obligations and expenditures. (Estimated 20% of time in addition to overlapping field support).

Intellectual leadership and innovation: This is a broad area of work that includes identifying constraints that keep developing country health systems and/or USAID-supported activities from having the desired health impact and developing innovative approaches to address these constraints. This can include activities such as carrying out or directing analytical work, writing papers, engaging with other actors, and promoting action

agendas. (Estimated 15% time)

PHN country team support: Lead or participate in team of PHN colleagues to provide backstop support to PHN team in the field for one or more USAID countries. (Estimated 10% time)

Global Health Bureau liaison: Participate in strategy development and program design teams for specific USAID PHN priority areas (e.g., reproductive, maternal or child health, HIV or infectious diseases) to ensure appropriate health system content and approaches. V HI (Estimate 5% time)

Knowledge sharing: Identify knowledge, skills and capacity needs of USAID and other colleagues in health system strengthening and opportunities to address these. Identify critical new areas of knowledge and develop approaches to share it appropriately. (Estimated 5% time)

Career development: The above set of tasks will provide the fellow with ample opportunity to enhance skills and develop in his/her career through hands-on experience. Limited additional career development activities may be undertaken to meet agreed career development objectives that cannot be met through the aforementioned tasks. (Estimated 5% time)

Work environment

Collegial environment: USAID's Bureau for Global Health is a very collegial environment which will provide the fellow with ample opportunity for professional interaction with a wide range of highly qualified and dedicated public health and development colleagues.

Management and bureaucratic style: USAID is a large bureaucracy with evolving management systems. The corporate culture places a high value on communication and participation.

Scope of responsibility: This position provides the fellow with ample opportunity for assuming overall oversight responsibility for task areas with guidance from the mentor. It is not a supervisory position.

Training opportunities: The fellowship is expected to include about 4 weeks of training per year. This includes USAID CTO training, CEDPA training, participation in conferences, workshops, and fora.

Travel: The fellowship is expected to include about 12 weeks per year of travel (25%).

Qualifications: Skills/educational requirements

All candidates for this fellowship must possess a minimum of a masters' degree and be citizens of the USA. This fellowship calls for someone with enthusiasm and demonstrated capacity for strengthening the health systems of developing countries and for someone who shares the development vision of USAID and the Bureau for Global Health. The successful candidate will have an advanced degree in public health, health policy, health economics or finance, health management or another closely related field, hands-on residential work experience in a developing country health system; excellent written and oral communications skills; mastery of a language in addition to English; excellent interpersonal and networking skills; demonstrated ability to work effectively in a large bureaucracy, in a collegial environment,

and on a large number of tasks simultaneously; a high degree of initiative; strong team skills; a commitment to quality; and a willingness to participate fully in broad range of activities.

Application:

Candidates must submit a current resume and a 1-3-page letter in a business letter format in which the candidate: 1. describes qualifications and experience, 2. demonstrates interest in and familiarity with the issues relating to the assignment, and 3: explains the reason for applying for a fellowship with USAID. A selection committee will review the letters and resumes presented by the candidates and will select candidates for interview. Candidates not already in the candidate pool for the Health and Child Survival Fellows Program will be sent the general application package for the Health and Child Survival Fellows. Candidates not in the pool should ask for three letters of reference from supervisors or academic advisors to be sent via email, or fax, or by other means to the Director of this Program so that the committee can review them along with the application letter and c.v. Letters need not be specific for this Fellowship, and should discuss candidates' skills, professional abilities, and special qualities.

Candidates are asked to submit their letters and resumes electronically in MS Word if possible, via email attachments in a PC-compatible format to pseaton@jhsph.edu. Letters should be addressed to

Mr. Paul Seaton, Director
National Secretariat for the Health and Child Survival Fellows Program
Johns Hopkins University
P.O. Box 2216
Baltimore, MD 21203-2216

Phone: 410 659 4108
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Email pseaton@jhsph.edu

Interested candidates are assured of confidentiality. Mr. Seaton will be happy to discuss the assignment with anyone who may have questions. Telephone calls gladly accepted.

Supervision:

The HCS Fellow will be employed by Johns Hopkins University (JHU), but will work in the environment of USAID's Division Health Systems. The Fellow will work closely with the Division Director or designee who will serve as mentor and who will foster intellectual growth, provide career guidance and give support throughout the period of assignment. The HCS Fellow and Mentor will negotiate an annual workplan within 90 days as well as leave and travel plans that are subject to the approval of the HCS Fellows Program. The mentor will provide technical guidance, career advice and operational oversight in steering the HCS Fellow toward the accomplishment of assigned tasks.

JHU will enter into an employment agreement with the HCS Fellow that defines the terms and conditions of employment and the assignment. JHU supervisory responsibilities include negotiation of salary, approval of the assignment, approval of changes in the assignment,

approval of the workplan, approval of leave, approval of salary increases, approval of travel, participation in the annual evaluation, initiation of disciplinary action, and termination of the assignment. The HCS Fellow is expected to exercise individual initiative, resourcefulness and responsibility. Salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications within a range of \$51,000-\$96,000 plus excellent benefits.

Documentation:

The Fellow will submit quarterly reports to the Health and Child Survival Fellows Program and other documentation as needed by USAID/GH/HIDN/HS.

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