UT Health Science Center San Antonio is seeking a health economist to join the newly established Health Services Research Center (HSRC) with a faculty appointment in the Division of Clinical Epidemiology, Department of Medicine, at the rank of Assistant/Associate Professor. The health economist will collaborate with researchers at a sister center, the Veterans Evidence-Based Research, Dissemination, and Implementation Center (VERDICT) within the South Texas Veterans Health Care System as well as researchers at the UT Health Science Center San Antonio and UT School of Public Health Houston Regional Campus at San Antonio.

Candidates should have a PhD in economics, health economics, health services or a related discipline, and knowledge of U.S. health care institutions and issues. The successful candidate will be expected to conduct innovative health services research relevant to the clinical mission of the University, and to incorporate economic evaluation into multidisciplinary collaborative research.

HSRC and VERDICT are located in the same physical facility, providing a stimulating research environment with an interdisciplinary team of clinician investigators and social scientists. Our current research portfolio includes organization/system level interventions, chronic illness care management, and methods to enhance engagement of provider-patient dyads in evidence-based, shared decision making.

Experienced junior, mid-level, or senior investigators will be considered. Junior-level candidates should have the potential to become independent investigators demonstrated through scholarly publication, presentation in scientific meetings, and familiarity with preparing research proposals. Mid-career and senior candidates should have a history of externally funded research preferably as principal investigator.

Requirements

- Demonstrated skill-sets and experience in conducting economic evaluation, including cost of disease/illness, and cost-effectiveness, cost-benefit, and cost-utility of interventions.

- Knowledge of recent developments in innovative health care delivery models and health services research.

- Ability to maintain, organize, and manipulate large data sets. Skills in using statistical software (i.e. SAS, STATA, SPSS).

- Familiarity with publicly available databases, such as MEPS, NHANES, NHIS, and BRFSS.

UT Health Science Center San Antonio is a major center for bioscience education and research in South Texas with over 4,000 faculty and staff, and more than $107 million in grants, contracts, and awards annually in nearly 1,000 patient-related and basic research projects. Salary and academic appointment will be based on experience and background. UT Health Science Center San Antonio is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All faculty appointments are designated as security sensitive positions. Applications will be accepted through December 31, 2011.

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