

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Postdoctoral Associate

Center for Health Equity

The Department of Medicine at the University of Minnesota Medical School is excited to announce the availability of a post-doctoral associate position in: **health disparities, nicotine dependence/smoking cessation, obesity/weight loss, cardiovascular disease, and cancer prevention and control.** The primary responsibility of the fellow will be to assist in building active programs of research. The postdoctoral mentor will be Jasjit S. Ahluwalia, MD, MPH, MS. Dr. Ahluwalia is the PI of a new NIH-funded P60 Comprehensive Center of Excellence in Minority Health and Health Disparities, which provides a strong infrastructure for those interested in this area. The University has supplemented the federal funding with institutional funding and has created a new Center for Health Equity for which Dr. Ahluwalia serves as the founding Executive Director. He has a long track record of successfully mentoring trainees, most of who have gone on to secure NIH funding.

Eligible candidates should have a doctoral degree in behavioral science, health education, health services research, sociology, anthropology, clinical, social or counseling psychology or a related discipline. Applicants should have excellent interpersonal skills and strong training in applied research. The position provides exceptional mentored training with an opportunity to develop research skills and collaborate with a dynamic, federally funded, multi-disciplinary team of investigators including psychologists, physicians, epidemiologists, and statisticians. The position is annually renewable, for up to two years, with a flexible start date, competitive salary, excellent resources for career development, and liberal benefits. The training can be tailored to suit the individual's requirements with opportunities for teaching experience, clinical work, authorship on relevant manuscripts, collaborative grant writing experience, independent grant submission, and funding to obtain an MPH or MS in Clinical Research. There is also ample support for conference travel and other training experiences.

The University of Minnesota (UMN) is one of the most comprehensive public universities in the United States and ranks among the most prestigious. It is both the state's land-grant university, with a strong tradition of education and public service, and the state's primary research university, with faculty of national and international reputation. The UMN Academic Health Center comprises six health science schools and is affiliated with several hospitals including the University of Minnesota Medical Center, Fairview. The University of Minnesota, a full-service, tertiary care center and medical training facility, provides a stimulating academic environment. The Department of Medicine has close working relationships with the UMN Comprehensive Cancer Center and the School of Public Health. The program provides an exceptionally rich environment for interdisciplinary bio-behavioral research.

The Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul are vibrant communities, combining the best of metropolitan living with the beauty and peace of natural surroundings. With more than 136,000 acres of parkland and 950 lakes in the metro area alone, the Twin Cities also boasts exciting urban living with its wide selection of cultural and entertainment offerings, including public museums, historic theaters, music and arts festivals, and professional sports teams.

Application Instructions:

A letter of interest and resume may be submitted through the online application system at: employment.umn.edu, under requisition number **163022**.

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