

## **Obesity Research Faculty Position**

**Department of Population Medicine  
Harvard Medical School and  
Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute**

### **Instructor or Assistant or Associate Professor – Obesity Prevention Program**

The Department of Population Medicine seeks a faculty member to expand its Obesity Prevention Program (OPP). This faculty member will participate in collaborative and investigator-initiated research aligned with the OPP's overall activities, including surveillance of obesity trends, etiologic research into the underlying causes of obesity at individual and population levels, interventions to prevent or treat obesity, health services and policy research, and new methods for the application of these approaches.

The ideal candidate for this position will have the following qualifications:

- Doctorate in appropriate field (epidemiology, behavioral or social sciences, health policy), or MD plus MPH or comparable advanced degree
- A productive record of peer-reviewed publications
- Ability to lead and work in multi-disciplinary teams
- Interest and skills appropriate for writing grant proposals to multiple funding agencies
- Strong interpersonal and leadership skills

Demonstrated capacity for obtaining research funding, program development, and leadership in research and teaching is desirable, but not required.

Besides her/his principal research activities, the faculty member will also be expected to spend a portion of time participating in the broader missions of the department and medical school as follows:

- Teach and mentor medical students, graduate students, and/or research fellows.
- Establish and maintain collegial and productive contacts with other researchers and educators in the university and within existing research partnerships.
- Contribute to departmental and medical school administration as a member of committees

The Department of Population Medicine is jointly sponsored by Harvard Medical School and the Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute, and focuses on research and teaching related to improving population health and health care delivery. The department is multi-disciplinary, with a research and teaching portfolio spanning a range of clinical, educational, and health service areas. Department faculty often perform research in the Harvard Pilgrim Health Care environment, with other Massachusetts and national health plans, and the HMO Research Network, a group of health plans committed to public domain research. The faculty also has a longstanding collaborative relationship with Atrius Health, eastern Massachusetts' largest fully computerized multi-specialty group practice, with which they collaborate on research, teaching, and clinical practice.

Clinicians may include part-time practice in their activities. Joint appointment in a second Harvard Medical School department or at the Harvard School of Public Health may be appropriate.

Candidates should send their CV and statement of research interests by mail to:

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