



**DEPARTMENT OF POPULATION MEDICINE
HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL AND HARVARD PILGRIM HEALTH CARE INSTITUTE
INSTRUCTOR OR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN PHARMACOEPIDEMIOLOGY**

The Harvard Medical School Department of Population Medicine seeks a faculty member to join the department's Therapeutics Research and Infectious Disease Epidemiology (TIDE) group. The department 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. This faculty member will participate in TIDE's leadership of the [FDA Mini-Sentinel program](#), a post-market medical product safety assessment program, as well as conduct investigator initiated research aligned with TIDE's overall activities.

TIDE's existing work in pharmacoepidemiology includes serving as the operations center for the FDA Mini-Sentinel program; development of database and networking capabilities to support efficient secondary uses of electronic health data; methods development, particularly with regard to active medical product safety surveillance; population-based studies of comparative safety and effectiveness of therapeutics; and descriptive studies of the use and appropriateness of use of therapeutics. TIDE also has a robust portfolio of research in identification and prevention of healthcare associated infections, and in public health surveillance. The department seeks an Instructor or Assistant Professor who will support ongoing activities of the FDA Mini-Sentinel Operations Center (at least 50% effort) and can develop an independent program of research. Expertise in designing and leading large database studies and good leadership and collaboration skills are essential. Demonstrated capacity for obtaining research funding, program development and leadership in research and teaching is desirable, but not required.

The faculty member will be expected to spend the major part of her/his time conducting collaborative research. The department is multi-disciplinary, with a research and teaching portfolio spanning a range of clinical, educational, and health service areas. Department faculty often work 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. Clinicians may include part time practice in their activities. Joint appointment in a second Harvard Medical School department or in the Harvard School of Public Health may be appropriate.

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

- Doctorate in epidemiology or health services research, or MD plus MPH or comparable advanced degree
- Experience and achievement in pharmacoepidemiology
- Experience in secondary use of observational health data is desirable
- A productive record of peer-reviewed publications
- Expertise in research using large administrative and clinical databases
- 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

Besides her/his principal research activities, the faculty member will also be expected to spend a portion of time participating in the broader mission of the department 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
- Maintain a small clinical practice, if appropriate

Harvard Medical School and Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute are Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employers. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply. For more information, please visit our website at www.populationmedicine.org.

Candidates should send their CV and statement of research interests to Jeff Brown:

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