

Research and Evaluation Branch

Behavioral Scientist

Behavioral Scientist. The Division of Violence Prevention in the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, GA is recruiting to fill a Senior Service Fellow opportunity for a Behavioral Scientist, GS-13 equivalent.

The Division of Violence Prevention (DVP) has the mission to prevent injuries and deaths caused by violence and to stop such violence before it occurs. Efforts include the prevention of youth violence, child maltreatment, sexual violence, intimate partner violence, and suicide.

This position is in the Research and Evaluation Branch (REB) in the Division of Violence Prevention (DVP). REB is responsible for promoting the development and evaluation of violence prevention programs. The position involves providing expert knowledge on aspects of evaluation research and rigorous evaluation of violence prevention strategies and policies. REB scientists conduct independent and collaborative research. Specifically, scientists serve as scientific advisors for evaluation trials funded by DVP through cooperative agreements and contracts, provide technical assistance to internal and external partners on evidence-based primary prevention strategies, analyze data from intramural and extramural research projects, and disseminate research findings.

PhD or other terminal degree in psychology, sociology, criminology, public health, or related field is required. In addition, highly qualified candidates would possess the following: (1) Experience and subject matter expertise in **child maltreatment prevention** research, or a related field; (2) At least three years experience in the design, implementation, and/or evaluation of primary prevention programs and policies; (3) Demonstrated capability to provide expert advice and consultation to research and non-research partners on the design, implementation, and/or evaluation of primary prevention programs and policies; (4) A track record of scientific productivity as exemplified by scientific publications and other evidence of effective written communication skills; (5) Expertise and experience in communicating scientific concepts, such as through

conference presentations; and (6) Ability to collaborate with other scientific and professional staff on behavioral research.

Interested candidates should send a cover letter describing experience in prevention and/or behavioral science-related research and a curriculum vita via email to Jeffrey Herbst (JHerbst@cdc.gov). The initial appointment will be for one year, with the opportunity for extension up to five (5) years. Travel up to 10% is required. Applicants invited to in-person interviews may be required to give a presentation. Applications received by close of business on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 will receive full consideration. For additional information contact Jeffrey Herbst.



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