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Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

The *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), a major research component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Department of Health and Human Services, is recruiting for an individual to serve as the Chief of the **Pregnancy and Perinatology Branch (PPB)** of the Division of Extramural Research (DER, <a href="https://www.nichd.nih.gov/about/org/der">https://www.nichd.nih.gov/about/org/der</a>). DER develops, implements, and coordinates cross-cutting, multidisciplinary research activities within NICHD's mission. The NICHD research portfolio is quite broad, including biological, behavioral, and clinical research related to conception and pregnancy, normal and abnormal development in childhood, reproductive health, and population dynamics across the lifespan. The PPB Chief leads in defining the scientific vision for the branch and finding ways to implement that vision through the stimulation of research, research training, and research resources.

The incumbent will utilize deep knowledge of research in obstetrics, pediatrics and neonatology – especially in maternal-fetal medicine and related fields – and have strong leadership skills to achieve the PPB goals and objectives. The PPB supports research to improve the health of women before, during and after pregnancy; reduce the number of preterm births and other complications; increase infant survival free from disease and disability; and ensure the long-term health of mothers and their children. PPB supports grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for research ranging from basic science to clinical trials.

The PPB seeks a candidate with a strong background in pregnancy and perinatology, with additional expertise in clinical research, including large, multicenter clinical trials. Successful candidates for this position will have excellent communication and leadership skills, and in-depth knowledge of the field.

For additional information about this position, contact William Duval, Ph.D. at <u>william.duval@nih.gov</u> with a resume and letter of interest. Potential candidates should look for the Global Supervisory Physician announcement at <u>https://jobs.nih.gov/globalrecruitment/</u>, which is expected to open on December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

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