The College of Public Health’s Department of Epidemiology and Environmental Health is seeking a Professor or Associate Professor to pursue injury-related research and practice both individually and in collaboration with other faculty members. Responsibilities also include educational advising to students and serving on Master’s and doctoral committees. This position requires working relationships with faculty in other departments within the College and University, medical residents, and students. The selected candidate will serve on appropriate committees and professional organizations on a regional or national level, and appropriate College of Public Health, University and department committees.

This position will also have an administrative appointment as Associate Director of the Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center. In coordination with the College of Public Health’s Dean, the Kentucky Commissioner for Public Health, and the KIPRC Director, the KIPRC Associate Director will support multidisciplinary injury surveillance and prevention research and practice. These initiatives include epidemiological, social, and economic research related to the prevention and control of injuries in pediatric and adult populations.

The successful candidate will be expected to: 1) establish and maintain a strong record of collaborative research, extramural funding, and publication in the area of injury prevention; 2) contribute to the mission of the College of Public Health through active participation in the Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center as the associate director; 3) participate in the teaching and mentoring of public health students; 4) gain broad awareness of KIPRC’s grant and contract-funded activities; and 5) inform the development, implementation, and evaluation of state and national injury prevention programs and policies. The KIPRC Associate Director will also be expected to participate on the KIPRC leadership team, providing input on KIPRC operational and programmatic decision-making; cultivate relationships with diverse external stakeholders to identify opportunities for collaboration and community engagement; and collaborate on the preparation of periodic KIPRC operational and fiscal reports.

Qualified individuals with a research interest in pediatric injury prevention are especially encouraged to apply, as well as clinicians with research activities in this area. Opportunities for joint or primary appointments in other academic departments (including the Department of Pediatrics, College of Medicine) would be available for appropriate candidates. Physicians with clinical activities and related research interests are encouraged to apply.

Qualified applicants must also be familiar with regional and national efforts in occupational health and/or injury prevention, and should have experience dealing with occupational health and/or injury prevention issues as they apply to public agencies and private institutions.

You may apply via the University of Kentucky Integrated Employment System HERE. Please include a CV and cover letter along with application. The cover letter needs to include statements of the applicant’s research, teaching, service, and administrative experience. Please include how you address inclusivity and diversity within these statements. The position will remain open until filled; however, applications received by June 15, 2022, will receive priority consideration. Inquiries may be directed to the search committee chair: Dr. Julia Costich, julia.costich@uky.edu

Given the COVID-19 pandemic, and the need to protect our university community including our students, staff, faculty and visitors, the University of Kentucky is requiring COVID-19 vaccination for all new hires prior to starting employment. Therefore, as of October 18, 2021, all new hires prior to their first day of employment must submit appropriate documentation showing, i) completion of the first vaccination against COVID-19, or ii) completion of the full vaccination series against COVID-19, or iii) approved exemption (medical contraindications or a sincerely held religious belief) through the formal exemption process from the COVID-19 vaccination requirement. For those employees who have completed the first vaccination against COVID-19 prior to their first day of employment, the second vaccination (if applicable) must be completed following the vaccination recommended schedule to be considered fully vaccinated.