

Director, Center for Healthcare Policy Research
UC Davis

The University of California, Davis (UC Davis or UCD) School of Medicine (SOM) invites applications for an accomplished researcher and visionary thinker to serve as the next Director of the Center for Healthcare Policy Research. Since its inception in 1994, the UC Davis Center for Healthcare Policy and Research (CHPR) has conducted interdisciplinary and collaborative research and research synthesis to improve health outcomes and services, educate the next generation of health services researchers, and assist policymakers in formulating effective health policies. CHPR is an Organized Research Unit (ORU) under the auspices of the Office of Research and is the only UC Davis-wide resource of its kind. Current CHPR research emphases include substance use, mental health, healthcare quality, population health, community engagement, and evidence synthesis to inform health policy.

The incoming Director will be given 40% effort for leadership and administrative functions of the Center for Healthcare Policy and Research. Additional duties will be influenced by candidate qualifications and interests, departmental needs, and clinical practice requirements, as applicable.

Key responsibilities include:

- Provide intellectual and administrative leadership and promote the efforts and capabilities of CHPR research, internally and externally
- In collaboration with the Associate Director and Chief Administrative Officer, oversee executive, financial, and research operations for CHPR
- Work with and oversee almost 60 CHPR personnel
- Facilitate interdisciplinary, collaborative research and outreach programs
- Maintain a leadership role in identifying extramural funding sources and fostering the creation of appropriate investigator teams
- Develop a strategic plan that will increase the visibility and reputation of CHPR to better disseminate research findings to inform the public and policymakers
- Lead an extramurally funded research program that conducts outstanding research in epidemiology, health services research, healthcare economics, health equity outcomes research, or similar field with clear policy implications

Position Qualifications:

- MD, PhD, MD/PhD, or equivalent terminal degree. Clinicians will require board-certification(s) as appropriate and eligibility for unrestricted California Medical License.
- Academic credentials that qualify for appointment as Associate Professor or Full Professor.
- High degree of knowledge in healthcare policy and health services research.
- Substantial record of leadership and achievement in research as evidenced by success in securing extramural research funding.
- Demonstrated prior success at leading interprofessional teams, working across campus units.
- Commitment to diversity and inclusive excellence in education and research.

Applications, Inquiries, and Nominations

UC Davis has retained Merritt Hawkins, a national academic search firm, to assist in this search. To confidentially inquire or provide nominations, please contact Kendra Thompson, Managing Consultant at Kendra.thompson@merrithawkins.com. Qualified applicants will need to apply online at <https://recruit.ucdavis.edu/JPF05001> and provide the following materials:

- Cover Letter;

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- Current CV;
- Diversity Statement;
- Names and contact information of 5 professional references;
- Authorization to Release Information Form

UC Davis is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer, and particularly encourage applications from members of historically underrepresented racial/ethnic groups, women, individuals with disabilities, veterans, LGBTQ community members, and others who demonstrate the ability to help us achieve our vision of a diverse and inclusive community.