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## **Chief, Division of Neonatology**

Applications are invited for the position of Chief, Division of Neonatology for the Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University and Columbia University Irving Medical Center.

The Department of Pediatrics at Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University has initiated an international search for an innovative leader in academic neonatology who will serve as the next Chief, Division of Neonatology at Columbia University Irving Medical Center. The successful candidate will succeed Richard A. Polin MD, William T. Speck Professor of Pediatrics at Columbia University, who has served as Division Chief since 1998. Dr. Polin, who was recently appointed Executive Vice Chair, Department of Pediatrics, will relinquish leadership of the Division upon the appointment of his successor as Chief. The next physician/scholar appointed Division Chief will be recommended for appointment as Associate Professor or Professor of Pediatrics at Columbia University. The search committee has committed to developing a group of extraordinarily qualified candidates that is as notable for diversity as for professional accomplishment. We request your assistance in communicating this leadership opportunity to your colleagues in neonatal medicine and by your nomination of highly qualified individuals. Self-nominations are welcomed.

Fostering a strong multidisciplinary collaboration with other faculty of the College, especially faculty in Columbia Maternal-Fetal Medicine, is critically important and has long been valued. Since the founding of the Division of Neonatology in May of 1959, early clinician-scientists, including Drs. Virginia Apgar and L. Stanley James, and many others have contributed substantively to the field. From 1972 until his retirement in 1993 Dr. James, a neonatologist recognized as one of the founders of academic neonatology, led the Division which became internationally recognized for scholarship and clinical innovation. Under his leadership and that of his successor, Dr. John Driscoll, Columbia Neonatology was instrumental in establishing regionalization of neonatal care in the greater New York metro area integrating the highest quality multidisciplinary care with breakthrough scientific research to achieve exceptional patient outcomes. Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital of New York-Presbyterian is today the hub of the Regional Perinatal Network which links hospitals throughout the tri-state (Connecticut, New York,

New Jersey) area. With extraordinary support from NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, the Division is poised for expansion and continued development under its new leader.

This is a unique role for an academic neonatologist who has a strong vision for clinical and research program development and who appreciates the importance of collegial decision-making in an interdisciplinary structure. This position represents a unique role for a forward-focused leader who will provide strategic direction and leadership while sustaining a commitment to her/his personal investigative program.

Applicants may forward a curriculum vitae and a brief statement of interest electronically to [tricia.porter@kornferry.com](mailto:tricia.porter@kornferry.com) or by mail to John Ferry, MD MBA, Senior Client Partner, Korn Ferry, One International Place, Boston, MA 02110

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