



***Search for the Director, Robert D. and Patricia E. Kern Institute for the Transformation of Medical Education
Stephen and Shelagh Roell Endowed Chair
The Medical College of Wisconsin
Milwaukee, Wisconsin***

The [Medical College of Wisconsin](#) (MCW) invites applications and nominations for the Director of the Robert D. and Patricia E. Kern Institute for the Transformation of Medical Education (the Kern Institute or Institute) and the Stephen and Shelagh Roell Endowed Chair. This is an exceptional opportunity for a distinguished and collaborative educator to lead one of the largest resourced institutes of its kind, whose mission is to reimagine and then transform medical education across the continuum from pre-medical school to physician practice. The Institute is situated on MCW's campus in the heart of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The Kern Institute was established as an academic Department within Medical College of Wisconsin in 2017 with a substantial gift of \$37.8 million from the Kern Family Trust and Kern Family Foundation. The Institute aims to create a community of leaders that will be guided by the principle of the Triple Aim for Medical Education which focuses on character, competence, and caring. This is an unparalleled opportunity to bring together a variety of disciplines to nurture authentic expressions of good character in medicine that will enable the successful deployment of caring and competence in service to patients and society. This individual will be a bold leader who embraces the Triple Aim for Medical Education and is captured by the opportunity to lead this change movement.

The Kern Institute is comprised of almost 30 MCW faculty (with varying FTE efforts) and 10 MCW staff (with varying FTE efforts) and it has partnered with the National Transformation Network (NTN), a collaborative of seven top-ranked and geographically dispersed medical schools including: Dell Medical School at the University of Texas at Austin, Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth, Mayo Clinic Medical School, Medical College of Wisconsin, University of California San Francisco School of Medicine, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, and Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, in order to ensure innovations developed through the Institute are easily adopted into health care practices at the national level. Together, The Kern Institute and NTN are working to transform medical education through [MedEdNext](#), a national movement to transform medical education. The Kern Institute will serve as an incubator for shared ideas around the Triple Aim for Medical Education including pilot programs, which will eventually be transitioned to the NTN and incorporated into medical education nationally.

Reporting to the MCW Dean of the School of Medicine, the successful candidate will bring a keen knowledge of the trends in medical education as well as a commitment to inspire innovation and collaboration across the field. The Institute director will have the authority over academic innovations in which NTN participates and will manage an operating budget of approximately \$51.5 million. The Institute has evolved from serving as an idea generator to an institute that is implementing those ideas into action. The successful candidate will be a collaborator with a proven track record of innovation and a believer in design-thinking with strong connections to national education programs. The Kern Director must hold an MD and/or PhD degree with an academic rank of associate or full professor and have a history of demonstrated success with the implementation of innovative programs that have impacted medical education and healthcare as a whole.

MCW has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national search firm, to assist the search committee in its efforts. All correspondence, including applications, nominations, and general inquiries can be submitted in confidence at www.imsearch.com/6528. Applications should include a letter of interest, CV or résumé, and a separate list of references. Electronic correspondence to Denise Gaffney, Jamie Sands and Ashton Lange through Isaacson, Miller's website is strongly encouraged.

As an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer, MCW recognizes the power of a diverse community and encourages applications from individuals with varied experiences, perspectives and backgrounds.