Scientific Director
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research
(Review of applications begins: March 5)

The National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) seeks an exceptional and visionary leader to serve as Scientific Director (SD) in the NIDCR Division of Intramural Research (DIR). The SD will be responsible for creating and maintaining a robust research environment that facilitates and encourages creativity, collaboration among scientists from different disciplines, effective training of students, dentist- and physician-scientists as well as post baccalaureate, predoctoral and postdoctoral fellows, and efficient utilization of resources. The ability to develop productive interactions among NIDCR investigators, other NIH institutes and centers, and the dental, oral and craniofacial health research community at large is critical. Further, the applicant must be able to serve as a spokesperson for NIDCR research to science professionals and the general public. The NIDCR DIR conducts basic, translational and clinical research of the pathogenesis, prevention and treatment of dental, oral and craniofacial diseases and conditions.

The successful candidate will oversee a diverse group of approximately 25 independent principal investigators, conducting research under five broad themes: craniofacial development, cell and matrix biology; epithelial and salivary gland biology and dysfunction; immunology and inflammation; sensory biology and skeletal biology. Currently the SD allocates a $41 million annual research budget, in consultation with the NIDCR Director and the NIDCR Clinical Director, to intramural NIDCR laboratories and clinical programs. The SD recruits new faculty and steers a vibrant training program that includes post-baccalaureate, pre-doctoral, post-doctoral and clinical research fellows. Additionally, the SD will supervise his/her own research laboratory, supported by resources appropriate for the size and scope of his/her program. Physical resources are outstanding, including the NIH Clinical Center, the world’s largest research hospital, the NIDCR Basic Research Building, and the new Porter Neuroscience Research Center, where NIDCR scientists join together with principal investigators from many other NIH Institutes.

Qualifications: The successful candidate will have a Ph.D., D.D.S./D.M.D., M.D. or equivalent degree and an established record of outstanding research accomplishments, scientific leadership, strong administrative skills and service within the basic and/or clinical dental, oral and craniofacial health community. He/she must have a broad knowledge in dental, oral and craniofacial health sciences, and a compelling vision for the future of the field.

Salary/Benefits: The NIDCR Scientific Director will be appointed at a salary commensurate with his/her qualifications and experience. Full Federal benefits, including leave, health and life insurance, long term care insurance, retirement, and savings plan (401K equivalent) will be provided.

Equal Opportunity Employment: Selection for this position will be based solely on merit, with no discrimination for non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, political affiliation, marital status, disability, age, or membership or non-membership in an employee organization. The NIH encourages the application and nomination of qualified women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities.

Standards of Conduct/Financial Disclosure: The National Institutes of Health inspires public confidence in our science by maintaining high ethical principles. NIH employees are subject to Federal government-wide regulations and statutes as well as agency-specific regulations described at the NIH Ethics Website. We encourage you to review this information. The position is subject to a background investigation and requires the incumbent to complete a public financial disclosure report prior to the effective date of the appointment.

Foreign Education: Applicants who have completed part or all of their education outside of the U.S. must have their foreign education evaluated by an accredited organization to ensure that the foreign education is equivalent to education received in accredited educational institutions in the U.S. We will only accept the completed foreign education evaluation. For more information on Foreign Education verification, visit the National
Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) website. Verification must be received prior to the effective date of the appointment.

Reasonable Accommodation: NIH provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you require reasonable accommodation during any part of the application and hiring process, please notify us. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

How to Apply: Applicants must submit a current curriculum vitae and a statement/description of (not to exceed two pages) scientific leadership philosophy and his/her vision for the future of the dental, oral and craniofacial health field. Applications should be sent electronically to Ms. Taleva Hall at taleva.hall@nih.gov. Review of applications will begin on March 5, 2018 and applications will continue to be accepted and considered until the position is filled.

DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR BIRTH DATE OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN) ON APPLICATION MATERIALS. DHHS AND NIH ARE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYERS.