

Notice of CDC Job Opportunity

Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is seeking exceptional candidates for the position of Director for the Division of Blood Disorders in the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD).

CDC is dedicated to protecting health and promoting quality of life through the prevention and control of disease, injury, and disability. We are committed to programs that reduce the health and economic consequences of the leading causes of death and disability, ensuring a long, productive, and healthy life for all people. NCBDDD was established in April 2001 as a result of the Children's Health Act of 2000. Currently, the center includes three divisions - the Division of Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, the Division of Human Development and Disability, and the Division of Blood Disorders.

The Division of Blood Disorders is dedicated to protecting the health of people with non-malignant blood disorders including bleeding disorders (e.g., hemophilia), clotting disorders (e.g., thrombophilias) and hemoglobinopathies (e.g., thalassemia and sickle cell disease). Men, women, and children of all ages and backgrounds live with these disorders and their complications, many of which are painful and potentially life-threatening. With proper preventive actions and early intervention, complications of these disorders could, to a large extent, be eliminated. We are dedicated to reducing the public health burden resulting from these conditions by contributing to a better understanding of blood disorders and their complications; ensuring that prevention programs are developed, implemented, and evaluated; making certain that information is accessible to consumers and health care providers; and encouraging action to improve the quality of life for people living with or affected by these conditions.

Duties will include:

- Developing goals and objectives that integrate early intervention, health promotion, and scientific and programmatic activities that improve health outcomes of people with blood disorders,
- Identifying key program areas in which intervention measures can reduce or eliminate disease complications,
- Providing expert guidance to public health officials, researchers, physicians, and scientific administrators,
- Representing NCBDDD to a variety of partnering organizations including other operational divisions of the Department of Health and Human Services such as the Food and Drug Administration, the Health Resources and Service Administration, the National Institutes of Health and other internal/external partners,
- Evaluating research and identifying factors and contributors to improving health,
- Planning, organizing and overseeing the division's broad portfolio of program and laboratory activities, and
- Leading and managing approximately 60 highly qualified and competent medical, scientific and technical staff members.

Qualification requirements:

- Doctor of Medicine (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathy (DO) licensure, or
- A doctorate degree in a scientific discipline such as epidemiology, statistics or biomedical, social or behavioral science,
- Recognition as a scientific and/or public health leader in the field of hematology desired but not mandatory, and
- Demonstrated capacity to provide innovative leadership.

Other Special Notes:

- U.S. Citizenship is a requirement for consideration for this position.
- This position if filled by an MD/DO is eligible for special pay and allowances, which may include Physicians' Comparability Allowance (PCA) or Title 38 Physician and Dentist Pay (PDP)

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should send their CV to Mike Soucie, PhD, at MSoucie@cdc.gov. Candidates must also apply via www.usajobs.gov to be considered for this job vacancy.

Physicians please search for announcement **HHS-OHR-ED-12-575306**. Those with doctorate degrees please search for announcement **HHS-CDC-DE-13-773039**. Application and all supporting documentation must be submitted prior to midnight EST on **November 17, 2012**.



More information on the position of Director of the Division of Blood Disorders.

A unique leadership opportunity is now available for an innovative health professional as Director of the Division of Blood Disorders in the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) at the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA. The Division of Blood Disorders is responsible for coordinating and organizing a comprehensive public health approach to blood disorders including disorders of hemostasis and thrombosis, hemoglobinopathies, and other blood disorders. The Division's mission is to provide leadership in promoting health and improving quality of life for people at risk or affected by blood disorders through public health, research, and prevention programs. The focus of the Division is to lead national data collection to determine federal and state priorities; coordinate research to identify preventable or modifiable risk factors; and organize activities to develop, evaluate, and ensure widespread adoption of effective strategies to prevent secondary complications/conditions and optimize health for people living with a blood disorder.

National surveillance and public health research conducted and coordinated by the Division of Blood Disorders serves as sentinel programs to capture threats/challenges related to treatment products and blood safety. The Division collaborates with other federal and state agencies to identify service needs and to quantify essential resources and works with caregivers and patient groups across the nation to implement and evaluate prevention strategies. As treatment and prevention measures have improved over the decades, the Division has adapted epidemiologic measures to meet current needs, and to communicate needs to facilitate optimal medical and non-medical services.

The Director will have the opportunity to lead a highly committed and enthusiastic group of professionals as it identifies emerging issues, and to ensure that items of broad importance are clearly identified and needs are communicated to policy makers, healthcare provider organizations, patient groups, payors and public health leaders. This position provides an unprecedented opportunity for an experienced physician or health scientist to bring her or his expertise into a broader sphere to ensure that advances in knowledge from public health research are effectively translated and made available to all those who might benefit.

The Director of the Division of Blood Disorders will collaborate closely with colleagues in other federal agencies, including the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Health Research Services Agency (HRSA) to identify research and service needs, and to provide the data which enable all agencies to appropriately serve these constituencies. As member of a vital leadership team in the NCBDDD, the Director will contribute to the broader strategic vision of the Center, and have an impact on overall CDC priorities.