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**Cancer Research Training Award (CRTA) Fellowship
Opportunity Announcement
Health Communication and Informatics Research Branch**

Announcement Title

HCIRB Post-Doctoral CRTA Fellowship, 2014

Introduction

The Behavioral Research Program (BRP) is within the National Cancer Institute's Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences. BRP initiates, supports, and evaluates a comprehensive program of research ranging from basic behavioral research to the development, testing, and dissemination of interventions in areas such as tobacco use, screening, dietary behavior, and sun protection. For more information about the BRP mission and structure, please see <http://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp>.

BRP is pleased to invite applications from qualified candidates for a Cancer Research Training Award (CRTA) Fellowship position in the [Health Communication and Informatics Research Branch \(HCIRB\)](#). HCIRB advances research on the processes and effects of communication and informatics across the cancer control continuum.

Position Description

This full-time position is based in Rockville, Maryland and provides outstanding opportunities for training and professional development in behavioral medicine and communication science. CRTA Fellows interact daily with researchers in public health, behavioral medicine, and cancer prevention, as well as with various extramural scientists at the National Cancer Institute and across the National Institutes of Health.

The CRTA Fellow will function as a member of the staff and work on projects directly related to the HCIRB [research priorities](#). Specific areas of research may include the digital divide, health journalism, media effects, clinical implications of health information seeking behavior, and evaluation of health communication interventions. Day-to-day activities may include literature reviews; data analyses and scientific manuscripts preparation; and research portfolio analysis. Additionally, the Fellow is encouraged to initiate and develop his or her own health communication research projects, and will have the opportunity to travel to scientific conferences.

Qualifications

- Ph.D., Sc.D., Dr.PH or equivalent degree in public health, behavioral and social sciences, or a related discipline (Note: Doctoral candidates who are ABD at time of application should indicate anticipated graduation date and should expect to have degree awarded by position start date)
- A strong interest in health communication and cancer control and prevention research
- Experience conducting independent research or serving as a research assistant on a scientific project
- Data analysis and management skills (proficiency with statistical software packages is required)
- Superior academic achievement, typically of cumulative 3.5 GPA or higher
- Excellent organizational, planning, writing, and project management skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work independently and on a research team



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Application Requirements

1. Cover letter (provide an explanation of your interest in the HCIRB postdoctoral fellowship and explain your professional development goals and research interests)
2. Resume or CV
3. Two letters of recommendation
4. A writing sample
5. Proof of citizenship (photocopy of birth certificate or passport)
6. Official transcripts and/or proof of academic good standing (transcript of highest Degree conferred; Proof of Academic Good Standing on official letterhead and signed by graduate program director, advisor, or equivalent)

The National Cancer Institute is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Application materials may be submitted via email to Ms. Tonza A. Webb at webbton@mail.nih.gov, paper copies and official transcripts and/ or proof of academic good standing must be mailed to:

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Application Deadline

This announcement will remain active until the position is successfully filled.

Start Date

Earliest possible start date is January 1, 2014

Stipend and Benefits

This position is a one-year full-time Cancer Research Training Award (CRTA) Fellowship, with a possibility for a renewal. The stipends for CRTA Fellows are adjusted yearly, and are commensurate with academic achievement and relevant experience. More information is available online at: <http://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/stipend.html>. Benefits include health insurance at no cost and a wide range of career development and social activities.

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You are encouraged to contact current and past Fellows, Mentors, and other staff members. Please visit <http://staffprofiles.cancer.gov/brp> to learn more about our network of mentorship and collaboration.