



## Cancer Research Training Award Fellowship Opportunity Announcement

### Announcement Title

Process of Care Research Branch (PCRB) Post-Doc CRTA 2014

### Introduction

The National Cancer Institute's Behavioral Research Program (BRP) within the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences seeks to recruit a Cancer Research Training Award (CRTA) Fellow. BRP is pleased to invite applications from qualified candidates for this fellowship position in the Process of Care Research Branch (PCRB). For more information about the BRP mission and structure, please see:

<http://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/index.html>.

This full-time position is based in Rockville, Maryland and provides outstanding opportunities for training and professional development in behavioral medicine, process of care, care transitions, and screening and shared decision making research. CRTA Fellows interact daily with researchers in public health, behavioral medicine, cancer prevention; and various extramural scientists at NCI and other Institutes and Centers of the National Institutes of Health.

### Position Description

The CRTA Fellow will function as a member of PCRB and work directly with scientists on projects related to the PCRB mission. Areas of research include how social and environmental factors influence health behavior and cancer care delivery. Day-to-day activities might include conducting literature reviews; performing data analyses and preparing scientific manuscripts; aiding in the development of funding initiatives; analyzing the existing research portfolio; participating in staff meetings; and attending lectures or other training opportunities sponsored by the National Institutes of Health. Additionally, the Fellow is encouraged to initiate and develop his or her own projects, and may have the opportunity to travel for NCI to National conferences, such as the Society of Behavioral Medicine, the American Psychological Association, or the American Public Health Association.

### Qualifications

- PhD or equivalent in health behavior, health education, public health, epidemiology, or a related discipline
- A strong interest in process of care research
- Experience conducting research or serving as a research assistant on a scientific project
- Data management skills (proficiency with EXCEL and statistical software packages is preferred)
- Superior academic achievement, typically of cumulative 3.5 GPA or higher
- Excellent organizational, planning, writing, and project management skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- The ability to work independently and on research teams

## **Application Requirements**

To be considered for this position, the following materials must be received by the Application Deadline:

1. Cover Letter  
Provide an explanation of your interest in the BRP Fellowship Program. Explain your professional development goals and research focus.
2. Other Relevant Work or Life Experience  
Describe your experience in behavioral research, specifically within the areas of screening, survivorship, decision making, genetic testing, and health care teams.
3. Resume or CV
4. Two letters of recommendation
5. Proof of Citizenship  
Photocopy of Birth Certificate or Passport
6. Official Transcripts and/or Proof of Academic Good Standing  
Send transcript of highest Degree conferred. If currently enrolled in school, Proof of Academic Good Standing must be sent on official letterhead and signed by graduate program director, advisor, or equivalent.

Application materials may be submitted via email to [harrisln@od.nih.gov](mailto:harrisln@od.nih.gov); paper copies and official Transcripts and/or Proof of Academic Good Standing must be mailed to:

Ms. Lashonda Harris

Behavioral Research Program

9609 Medical Center Dr., Rockville, MD 20850

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## **Application Deadline**

July 1, 2014

## **Start Date**

August 1, 2014

## **Stipend and Benefits**

The stipends for CRTA Fellows are adjusted yearly, and are commensurate with academic achievement and relevant experience. The stipend range for the initial appointment of a Post-Doctoral degree CRTA Fellow is \$46,000-71,300. 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.

## **Contact**

The Fellowship Mentor for this position will be:

Stephen Taplin, MD, MPH

Chief, Process of Care Research Branch

Behavioral Research Program

[taplins@mail.nih.gov](mailto:taplins@mail.nih.gov)

To learn more about the BRP Fellowship experience, please see our online staff directory at: <http://staffprofiles.cancer.gov/brp/prgmStaffList.do?listCodeId=52809&listType=stf>

You are encouraged to contact current and past Fellows, Mentors, and other staff members.