

**Department of Health and Human Services  
National Institutes of Health  
National Institute on Aging  
Intramural Research Program**

**Staff Clinician 1**

The National Institute on Aging (NIA), Intramural Research Program (IRP), a major research component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is recruiting a Staff Clinician 1 within the Health Disparities Research Section (HDRS) of the Laboratory of Epidemiology and Population Sciences (LEPS), in Baltimore, MD. The HDRS conducts interdisciplinary clinical and basic science research focused on examining the underlying cause of the disproportionate incidence, morbidity, and mortality of age-related disease among minority and low socioeconomic status (SES) Americans.

Eligible candidates must have an M.D. or equivalent medical degree and eligibility for a medical license in the United States. In addition, board certification in Internal Medicine or Family Medicine is required. Training and experience with human studies and translational clinical research especially in the field of aging research is a plus.

The successful candidate will provide clinical expertise and oversight for community-dwelling participants of the Healthy Aging in Neighborhoods of Diversity across the Life Span Study (HANDLS). The HANDLS study is a field-based, epidemiologic, interdisciplinary, longitudinal study that has been in the field since 2004. It investigates how race and socioeconomic status influence health status and age-related health disparities separately or synergistically as co-factors of behavioral, psychosocial, and environmental conditions. The research domains include: cognitive function, nutrition, nephrology, anthropometry, cardiovascular health, physical performance, molecular markers, genetics and genomics, neuroimaging and psychology. The incumbent will be a co-investigator of the HANDLS study performing research-related physical assessments on research participants and publishing clinical research data. The ideal candidate will have excellent clinical judgment, experience working among diverse populations, as well as interest in building a career in clinical research. Additional information regarding HANDLS and LEPS is available at: <https://handls.nih.gov/> and <https://www.nia.nih.gov/research/labs/leps/health-disparities-research-section>.

The successful candidate may be approved for the level of “Assistant Research Physician.” Assistant Research Physicians are individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to excellence in clinical practice, including attention to patient safety, clinical research or education and who possess the ability to integrate teaching and scholarship on an ongoing basis into the practice or learning of medicine and science.

Staff Clinicians do not receive independent resources to conduct independent laboratory or clinical research; however, they often work independently and have sophisticated skills and knowledge essential to the work of the LEPS. Although this Staff Clinician will be supervised by the Section Chief of the HDRS, they will be interacting with scientists within the IRP the scientific community at large.

Salary is commensurate with professional experience and accomplishments. A full Civil Service package of benefits (including retirement, health, life, and Thrift Savings Plan participation, etc.) is available. All employees of the Federal Government are subject to the conflict-of-interest statutes and regulations, including the Standards of Ethical Conduct. Additional information regarding the NIA Intramural Research Program is available at: <https://www.nia.nih.gov/research/labs>.

To apply, please send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, bibliography, statement of research interest, and three letters of recommendation to: Sarah Lewis, Supervisory Management Analyst; Office of the Scientific Director, Vacancy # NIA-IRP-23-02-SL; via email [niairpjobs@mail.nih.gov](mailto:niairpjobs@mail.nih.gov). Applications, including letters of recommendation, must reference the Vacancy #NIA-IRP-23-02-SL. The first round of reviews is expected to occur on or about July 3, 2023; however, applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

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