Are you interested in a truly unique opportunity to serve as a physician leader in the world’s largest hospital entirely devoted to translational clinical research?

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) invites candidates with strong operational, clinical research, and leadership credentials to apply for the position of Chief, Department of Transfusion Medicine and Center for Cellular Engineering at the NIH Clinical Center, Bethesda, MD.

The NIH is the nation’s foremost federally-funded biomedical research institution. The NIH Clinical Center is the 200-bed hospital in which NIH intramural research protocols are conducted. The hospital supports an extensive range of acute care patients who are research participants with long standing relationships with their care team. As a clinical hospital department chief, the incumbent will lead a department of about 185 staff members in a complex clinical research setting.

The NIH Clinical Center Department of Transfusion Medicine (DTM) provides high-quality patient care and hospital services in support of NIH clinical research programs, pursues research that contributes to the knowledge and practice of transfusion medicine and related technologies, and provides advanced training in transfusion medicine. DTM includes an FDA-licensed blood collecting facility as well as a transfusion service, diagnostic testing laboratories, and an FDA-registered cell processing facility. The department provides clinical services to support NIH patients in need of blood component therapy, cellular therapy, therapeutic apheresis, and specialized laboratory diagnostics. In addition, it collects and prepares the blood components and cellular therapy products used in patient care at NIH, maintains an accredited Immunohematology Reference Lab, offers a fellowship program in Transfusion Medicine, and manages a training program for Specialists in Blood Banking.

The Center for Cellular Engineering (CCE), which is part of the Department, manufactures cell and gene therapies for phase I and II clinical trials; processes hematopoietic stem cell grafts for transplantation; develops new cell therapies; develops new assays to test cell and gene therapies; and prepares chemistry, manufacturing, and controls (CMC) documents for investigational new drugs (IND) and summary data for annual reports to the FDA.

The Clinical Center is the epicenter for intramural research and collaboration at NIH. An individual selected for this position will have an opportunity to foster a research practice environment that supports innovation, including scholarly activities that lead to increased patient safety, optimal clinical outcomes, and ensures clinical research goals are obtained while implementing the principles of high
reliability in healthcare at the Clinical Center. The incumbent will have opportunities to integrate scientific goals and objectives into the practice of clinical research.

We seek an experienced and proven leader who possesses exceptional communication skills, consulting and advising a diverse clinical research workforce, and running patient care operations in a complex hospital setting. The ability to form partnerships and provide sound guidance at all levels within a complex clinical research setting is key in the performance of routine duties associated with this position.

Candidates must be experienced and proven leaders with substantive technical, practice and strategic management skill sets in a clinical research setting. The ideal physician candidate should possess a clinical doctoral degree, Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathy, or equivalent degree, be board certified in hematology, pathology, or another relevant clinical area, and have demonstrated experience in a primarily clinical research setting. A track record of excellence in research collaboration or contemporary independent research program is desirable. The successful applicant will need to demonstrate the willingness to contribute to the success of investigators and clinicians throughout the NIH. Candidates with outstanding research accomplishments may be eligible for tenure within the NIH Intramural Research Program.

Candidates must be U.S. Citizens or U.S. Nationals to apply.

Candidates are encouraged to submit a cover letter addressing your interest in the position, your vision for the department, and summarizing how your experience qualifies you for this role at the NIH. Diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) is a core competency for the Clinical Center. Please also include a statement describing your commitment to promoting DEIA as well as your mentoring and outreach activities in which you have been involved, especially those involving women and persons from racial/ethnic or other groups that are underrepresented in biomedical research. If invited for an interview you will be required to describe your record of promoting diversity and inclusion such as, but not limited to, mentoring individuals from underrepresented groups, participating in mentoring programs designed to promote diversity, and DEIA-related outreach activities.

Salary will be commensurate with experience and accomplishments. A full Civil Service package of benefits (including retirement, health and life insurance, Thrift Savings Plan, etc.) is available for this position.

Applications must be submitted via the www.usajobs.gov website, job announcement NIH-CC-DH-23-11870179, that will be open from July 26, 2023 to 11:59 PM EST on August 4, 2023.

If you have questions about this position, please contact NIH HR Service desk at ohrcsdbranchesrdsk@od.nih.gov.

For more information on how to apply on USAJobs, please review this link: https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/faq/application/documents/resume/what-to-include/.

HHS and NIH are Equal Opportunity Employers. Selection for this position will be based solely on merit, without discrimination for non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, politics, marital status, sexual orientation, physical or mental handicap, age or membership or non-membership
in an employee organization. All applicants will be subject to a background investigation and pre-
employment medical examination.