Senior Research Scientist

Chestnut Health Systems is a leading provider of behavioral healthcare services. Over the course of 40 years, Chestnut has grown to over 700 committed, compassionate employees providing care at multiple substance abuse and mental health treatment centers in Central and Southern Illinois. Chestnut also conducts research and training throughout the U.S., as well as provides employee assistance programs internationally.

Chestnut's research division, the Lighthouse Institute, develops grants and publications related to study, prevention, treatment or recovery support services related to alcohol, tobacco or drug (substance) use disorders. The group has a strong record of working across the life course of addiction in terms of age (adolescent, young adult, adult, older adult), level of care (including outpatient, residential, continuing care, recovery support, and mobile applications) and methodological rigor (including 1 to 18 year longitudinal studies, quasi-experimental, experimental and other advanced analytic studies).

Our Lighthouse Institute (LI) is seeking to hire a full-time Senior Research Scientist to be located at their Chicago, IL or Bloomington-Normal, IL location.

Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in health services or other applied substantive area (e.g., epidemiology, nursing, psychology, psychiatry, social work, sociology) with training in measurement, statistics and psychometric analyses, plus five or more years of post-doctoral experience.
- Distinguished contributions in the human services field as evidenced by a successful publications record, including several first author, as well as supporting author, publications in peer-reviewed journals.
- Demonstrated continuously increasing scholarship in one or more major research areas (books, editorships, awards, major review articles).
- Multiple grants funded – 3+ grants with PI status.
- Successful experience working in an environment with multiple stakeholders, multiple sources of qualitative/quantitative data, and a team approach ability and willingness to mentor junior staff related to securing funding and publishing.
- Proficiency with spreadsheets (e.g., Excel/Lotus), data bases (e.g., Access, Dbase), and prior experience with statistical software (e.g., SPSS, SAS). Preference for experience with advanced software (e.g., AMOS, MixORD), and analysis of repeated measures and longitudinal data.

Job Duties:

- Plan, develop, and submit grant and project proposals for other CHS divisions and LI. It is expected that these activities will contribute support to LI.
- Mentor other scientists in getting articles published and submitting grants.
- Serve as a technical consultant to or assist LI staff, CHS divisions, and LI/CHS managers as requested.
- Write and submit manuscripts for publication in peer-reviewed journals and/or products that generate income to support LI.
- Providing leadership in quality and compliance efforts through training, consultation, feedback and problem solving with clinical, medical and administrative staff.
- Serve as a Research Project Evaluator, Project Director and/or Principal Investigator.
- Develop and maintain written principles and procedures for evaluation, training, and consultation practice. Coordinate the orientation of new evaluations and training staff to LI procedures.

This position is a full time, salaried position that includes an excellent compensation and benefits package including health, dental, life, and disability insurance, a 401(k) retirement savings plan with excellent company match, generous paid time off benefits, and more.

For immediate consideration, please submit a confidential curriculum vitae and a personal statement of research interests to Human Resources by email at hresources@chestnut.org, or see us at www.chestnut.org/employment.

Chestnut welcomes applications from qualified individuals with recovery experience.

EOE – Minorities/Females/Vets/Disabled