



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT: RESEARCH ASSOCIATE I

Position Title: Research Associate I
Position Number: 1002-001-RA1
Announcement Date: February 1, 2010
Position Start Date: Immediate
Job Location: Atlanta, Georgia (Midtown)

ABOUT KDH RESEARCH & COMMUNICATION

KDH Research & Communication (KDHR) is a non-partisan, public health, and public policy research institution that develops and evaluates programs to improve the health and well-being of the nation's youth, families, and communities. Our development activities include the construction of interactive curricula, multimedia toolkits to build knowledge and skills, and new media to effectively communicate information. Our evaluation activities focus on the production and dissemination of objective and timely scientific information that addresses public health and social service problems. KDHR takes scholarship seriously and presents the results of our research in journal articles and research briefs and at top national conferences.

KDHR has a broad portfolio of grants and contracts from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the National Institute of Mental Health, the National Cancer Institute, and other agencies and organizations. We use this funding to work in our four program areas:

- **Drug Abuse Education and Prevention:** Investigates emerging trends in substance abuse and measures the effectiveness of social marketing, universal school-based prevention, and science education as methods to reach youth with persuasive information on the risks of illicit drug use.
- **Health and Science Literacy:** Explores creative approaches to help people access, understand, and apply health and science information to make protective decisions about their health and well-being.
- **Vulnerable Populations:** Develops, evaluates, and disseminates programs to improve the health and quality of life of children with special needs and their families, underserved communities, and other vulnerable populations.
- **Organizational Studies:** Identifies and studies strategies for public institutions and nonprofit organizations to deliver health and social services effectively.

KDHR's office is located on Peachtree Street in vibrant Midtown Atlanta.

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE I RESPONSIBILITIES

The Research Associate I will perform social science program development and evaluation tasks across the lifespan of projects, from conceptualization and grant writing, to formative research and program creation, to outcome evaluation and reporting. More specifically, the person in this position will:

- Supervise and/or participate in data collection and analysis from public health and public policy perspectives.
- Supervise the work of more junior research staff.
- Make site visits, conduct interviews, and supervise field research.
- Maintain budgets and manage resources for segments of projects under his/her responsibility.
- Participate in writing final reports and presenting results to external audiences.
- Actively publish in scholarly journals.

QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifications for this position include: 1) a doctorate in public policy, public health, psychology, economics, or a related social science field, or equivalent experience in a similar research organization; 2) experience with fundraising, publication preparation, and/or project management; 3) a strong publication record; 4) excellent writing abilities and data collection and analytic skills; and 5) proficiency with statistical software packages, such as SAS.

TO APPLY

To apply for this position, send your resume and a cover letter that clearly discusses your experience and its applicability to the position to careers@kdhrc.com. Your email must include the position title and position number in the email subject line. The application deadline remains open until the position is filled. Do not resubmit previously submitted application documents. KDHRC will consider all qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. No telephone calls, please.