

Boston Children's Hospital Indigenous Health Program: General Pediatrics Positions Available

The Boston Children's Hospital Global Health Program (BCH GHP) and Division of General Pediatrics seek energetic, social justice and health equity minded pediatricians to join our growing Indigenous Health Program, a collaboration between Boston Children's Hospital and the U.S. Indian Health Service (IHS) Great Plains Area in North and South Dakota. Our program provides opportunities for teaching, global health, clinical research and mentorship. There is also potential for leadership and active participation in the development of quality improvement and community/tribally engaged outreach initiatives. Positions are a minimum commitment of one year but could span a career in this area.

Clinical Role – 4 to 6 months over the academic year (July-June)

The IHS Great Plains Area partner sites (Hospitals/Health Centers/Clinics) serve as the clinic sites for the Boston Children's Hospital Indigenous Health Program and are IHS facilities providing direct health care services to members of a Federally recognized tribe. In this role, clinicians will provide outpatient primary care and inpatient care to children, pediatric consultation to general ER providers, and on-call services for pediatric hospital admissions. Clinical time at IHS must be spent in minimum 1-month increments but can be arranged based on candidates' preferences.

Academic/Research Role – 6 to 8 months over the academic year (July-June)

The remaining 6 to 8 months of non-clinical service will be in Academic Pediatrics with Boston Children's Hospital. Activities are based on candidates' preferences and can include health services research, medical education, and global health work with BCH, as well as the development of quality improvement and community/tribally engaged outreach initiatives, including:

- Developing/adapting and implementing standardized clinical practices and guidelines
- Evaluating effectiveness and quality of pediatric care
- Collaborating with other members of the healthcare team (e.g. Nursing) on parallel/integrated quality improvement initiatives
- Expanding the current collaboration to work directly with Tribal leadership to meet their health priority needs (e.g. vaccination campaigns, school health, outpost clinics, primary care-based mental health initiatives, healthcare workforce pathway programs for Middle School, High School and University Students)
- Supporting Tribal collaboration programs as scholarly work.

Salary and benefits are competitive.

Duration of clinical time (4-6 months) is at the choice of the candidate based on desired salary. Housing, flights, vehicle and travel insurance while in the GPA included. Clinical deployment is family friendly – partners/spouses working remotely (high speed Wi-Fi available) as well as young children welcome. School age children also welcome with some consideration of location for access to public schools.

Boston Children's Hospital is a teaching hospital of Harvard Medical School and the pediatric staff will obtain an academic appointment at the level of Instructor.

Applicants should submit curriculum vitae to:

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