Physician Investigator: Palliative Medicine and Data Science

The Dana-Farber Cancer Institute (DFCI) Department of Psychosocial Oncology and Palliative Care, and Brigham & Women’s Hospital (BWH) Division of Palliative Medicine, seeks a physician investigator with research expertise at the intersection of palliative care and data science. This individual will devote at least 70% of their effort to research, with the remainder providing clinical palliative care at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Brigham and Women’s Hospital. An academic rank of Instructor or Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School will be commensurate with experience, training and achievements. Generous start-up package will be provided.

We are looking for a highly motivated individual, with demonstrated potential for creativity and excellence, who can develop an independent program of research applying big data analytic tools to answer pressing questions in palliative care. Examples include using machine learning, natural language processing, and/or voice recognition methodologies to identify patients with greatest need and to improve patient outcomes. The candidate must have an MD, be BC/BE in Hospice and Palliative Medicine (Palliative Medicine Fellowship training preferred), and have a proven track record of outstanding research and mentoring ability. Salary, benefits, and compensation will be consistent with experience and hospital policies.

Faculty participate in extensive formal and informal teaching activities at BWH, DFCI, and the Harvard Medical School Center for Palliative Care. Trainees include post-doctoral research fellows and clinical fellows from a variety of disciplines; residents; medical students; and other clinicians rotating on the Adult Palliative Care Services.

The Department of Psychosocial Oncology and Palliative Care oversees significant research efforts in communication, symptom management, spirituality, and health services delivery, and also hosts a research fellowship training program. The investigator will be a member of the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center and have access to all Harvard Catalyst resources. Qualified candidates may receive a joint appointment in the DFCI Department of Data Sciences. Outstanding research opportunities are also available through collaborations with the DFCI Division of Population Sciences, BWH, and the broader Harvard Medical School community.

We are an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions or any other characteristic protected by law. Women and minority candidates are particularly encouraged to apply.

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