VA Boston Healthcare System and Health Services Research and Development (HSR&D) are searching for an Associate Director of the Boston Campus of our Center of Innovation (COIN). The Center for Healthcare Organization and Implementation Research (CHOIR) is a multi-institutional Boston/Bedford HSR&D COIN located across two VA campuses.

Candidates for this position should hold either an M.D. or Ph.D. degree (or equivalent) in health services research or one of its constituent fields, have a record of successful, extramurally-funded research, a strong background in the management of health services research, and have US citizen status. Candidates should also have leadership and administrative experience. The position will be a full-time appointment based at VA Boston. Faculty at the Universities affiliated with CHOIR engage in teaching, research, and service and are expected to collaborate on research projects, mentor students and faculty and contribute to the teaching missions of their appointed University department. Candidates should be eligible to hold an academic appointment as Assistant or Associate Professor at one of CHOIR’s two academic affiliates, Boston University School of Medicine or Harvard Medical School.

The VA Boston Associate Director will work closely with CHOIR’s VA Boston Director and with CHOIR’s leaders at VA Bedford. Center leaders are responsible for administration of a renowned health services research program with an extensive portfolio of 88 funded research projects and programs, with total annual budget of over $13 million. The 52 doctorally-trained core investigators at CHOIR produce numerous articles, chapters, reviews and reports, and contribute to a large, vibrant post-doctoral training program for both MD and PhD researchers.

The mission of CHOIR is to conduct health services, organizational, and implementation research that promotes Veteran-centered high-quality healthcare, identifying best practices and working with operational and policy leaders within VA to implement findings to improve clinical care. CHOIR investigators have broad expertise across numerous fields within health services research. Details about the center can be found at: http://www.choir.research.va.gov/.

The Boston Associate Director will be part of the center leadership team, and help set and promote a vision for research that engages with VA systems and improves care for Veterans. Success will require understanding of funding mechanisms, ability to manage Center research funds, and mentoring ability. The Associate Director will assist with management of research assets such as human resources, research equipment, and facilities. She/he will participate in developing administrative procedures and core infrastructure to support research efforts, ensuring that CHOIR research complies with VA and other Federal regulations, policies and directives.

The VA Boston Healthcare System is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy and pregnancy-related conditions or any other characteristic protected by law.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of inquiry and CV directly to: John Brown (John.Brown50@va.gov)