

**National Institute of Child Health & Human Development (NICHD)**

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## Vacancy Announcement

<b>Announcement Number:</b>	<b>NICHD-04-0007</b>
<b>Position Title:</b>	Medical Officer, Director
<b>Series and Grade:</b>	AD-602-0
<b>Appointment Type(s)</b>	Temporary
<b>Tour of Duty:</b>	Full Time
<b>Salary:</b>	\$ 125,000.00 - \$ 200,000.00
<b>Full Performance Level:</b>	AD-0
<b>Opening/Close Date:</b>	09/23/2004 - 10/25/2004
<b>Organizational Location:</b>	National Institute of Child Health & Human Development (NICHD) Center for Developmental Biology & Perinatal Medicine (CDBPM)
<b>Job Location:</b>	Bethesda, MD
<b>Number of Vacancies:</b>	1
<b>Who May Apply:</b>	All qualified applicants may apply
<b>Notes:</b>	This is an Indefinite Appointment in the Excepted Service under Title-42 Appointment. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

### Description of Duties and Responsibilities:

This position is located in the Center for Developmental Biology and Perinatal Medicine (CDBPM), within the National Institutes of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), NIH. The CDBPM is comprised of the Office of the Director and three branches, which serves as a major NIH source of support for basic, clinical, and applied research and research training in maternal, fetal, and infant health, and disorders of human development; its objective is to promote the health of mothers and families, and to ensure that all babies are born healthy and are able to achieve their full potential, free of disease or disability.

The incumbent will serve as the Director, Center for Developmental Biology and Perinatal Medicine (CDBPM) and is directly responsible for planning, development and administration of a program that involves individual and multidisciplinary research grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements concerned with biology of high-risk pregnancies and premature birth; low birth weight; mental retardation and developmental disabilities including autism and fragile X syndrome; congenital and genetic disorders; fetal growth restrictions; prenatal and neonatal screening, immunodeficiencies, mechanisms and factors in teratogenesis and developmental biology including basic studies of processes in embryonic development and the development and use of animal models to study developmental processes and genetic diseases.

The incumbent serves as the chief advisor to the Director of the NICHD on matters of pregnancy, maternal and fetal health, neonatal and infant health, developmental disorders, birth defects, genetic conditions, mental retardation and related behavioral and social sciences research; and serves as a spokesperson for CDPBM, representing NICHD and NIH at national and international meetings and conferences. In addition, the incumbent serves as primary liaison in the coordination of the activities of the Center with similar activities of other Federal agencies.

The incumbent is responsible for furthering the goals of Equal Employment Opportunities (EEO) by taking positive steps to assure the accomplishment of affirmative action objectives.

**Basic Qualification Requirements:**

Candidates must meet qualifications and time-in-grade requirements within 30 days from the closing date of this vacancy announcement.

Applicants must possess at least one year of specialized experience, that demonstrate their ability to do significant medical research in a particular medical field.

For Medical Officer,602:

To qualify as a Medical Officer, applicants must have a Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathy degree from a school in the United States or Canada approved by a recognized accrediting body in the year of the applicant's graduation. [A Doctor of Medicine or equivalent degree from a foreign medical school that provided education and medical knowledge substantially equivalent to accredited schools in the United States may be demonstrated by permanent certification by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) or a fifth pathway certificate for Americans who completed premedical education in the United States and graduate education in a foreign country].

Licensure: Candidates must have a permanent, full, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in a State, District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or a territory of the United States. Applications will be accepted from physicians who are not currently licensed; however, if selected for appointment, they must obtain a license before entering on duty.

**Specialized Experience Requirements:**

Specialized Experience: is defined as experience that provides the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform successfully the duties of the position, and that is typically in or related to the work of the position to be filled.

Candidates must possess training and at least 15 years of experience in Pediatric or Obstetric / Gynecologic research related to prenatal or early childhood development, birth defects, or perinatal /neonatal medicine, with 5 years in a Leadership position in such areas as a medical school, state, or federal government level.

In addition to the basic qualifications: This position level requires a broad scientific knowledge in developmental biology or perinatal medicine and its related fields with special in-depth expertise in one or more sub-speciality areas; knowledge of NIH grant and contract mechanisms and processes, as a successful grantee, and reviewer or program administrator.

**Rating Criteria:**

This position is being filled under the provision of Excepted Service Authority, as a Title-42 Appointment. All candidates meeting the minimum qualification requirements will be referred to the Selecting Official for consideration.

**Eligibility:**

This position is open to all qualified applicants.

**Education/Skills:**

Applicants who have completed part or all of their education outside of the United States must have their foreign education evaluated by an accredited organization to ensure that the foreign education is comparable to education received in accredited educational institutions in the United States. This evaluation must be provided before you may be officially appointed to this position. For a listing of services which can perform this evaluation, you may visit the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services, Inc.'s web site at [http://www.amideast.org/publications/aq/Back\\_Issues/1989/Sp89-](http://www.amideast.org/publications/aq/Back_Issues/1989/Sp89-)

html/Sp89Group.htm

This listing is provided as information only, we do not necessarily prefer these services over others which may exist.

**Miscellaneous Position Information:**

This position has a full federal benefits package.

Selected candidate must file a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report. (OGE 450).

**How To Apply:**

You may apply on-line thru [CareerHere.nih.gov](http://CareerHere.nih.gov), or by submitting an Optional Application for Federal Employment (OF-612), Application for Federal Employment (SF-171) or any other written format you choose as long as it contains all the required information. Although a standard application form is not required, we do need certain information to evaluate your qualifications and determine if you meet legal requirements for Federal employment. If your resume or application does not provide all the information requested in this vacancy announcement, you may lose consideration for the job. See OPM's flyer OF-510, Applying for a Federal Job.

Current PHS Commissioned Officers who wish to be considered as members of the Commissioned Corps may apply by submitting a Curriculum Vitae or resume. Please indicate the announcement number on your application.

Your application must include starting and ending dates, number of hours worked per week, and description of duties and accomplishments for each position to determine your basic eligibility based on experience.

**What To Submit:**

Please complete a United States Department of Health and Human Services Applicant Background Survey form. The information from the survey is used for statistical purposes only. The survey is voluntary, and no individual personnel selections are made based on this information.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit all of the required information. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

You will need to supply a list of at least 3 references, including name, position, telephone number, and e-mail address (if available).

**Deadlines:**

Applications must be received by the closing date to receive consideration.

**General Information:**

NIH is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Selection for this position will be based solely on merit, without discrimination for non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, politics, marital status, sexual orientation, physical or mental handicap, age or membership or non-membership in an employee organization.

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Application forms are subject to the provisions of the Privacy Act and become the property of DHHS.

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