

DIRECTOR, PREVENTION SCIENCES PROGRAM, DIVISION OF AIDS

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The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) is seeking an exceptional and visionary leader to be the Director of the Prevention Sciences Program (PSP) within the Division of AIDS (DAIDS). DAIDS was formed in 1986 to develop and implement the national research agenda to address the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Toward that end, the division supports a global research portfolio to advance biological knowledge of HIV/AIDS, with the ultimate goal of creating an AIDS-free generation. To accomplish this, DAIDS develops and supports the infrastructure and biomedical research needed to 1) reduce HIV incidence through the development of an effective vaccine and biomedical prevention strategies that are safe and desirable, 2) develop novel approaches for the treatment and cure of HIV infection, 3) treat and/or prevent HIV co-infections and co-morbidities of greatest significance, and 4) partner with scientific and community stakeholders to implement effective interventions efficiently.

Within the division, the PSP director oversees a staff of more than 30 employees and a portfolio—in excess of \$160 million—of preclinical and clinical research grants, contracts, and clinical trials. This research portfolio is designed to do the following:

- Deliver prevention tools that can reduce HIV incidence in at-risk populations
- Create and maintain a pipeline of non-vaccine HIV prevention products including sustained delivery methods and combination products
- Advance HIV prevention candidates to licensure
- Improve treatment as prevention by optimizing the testing, the linkage to care, and the treatment cascade
- Develop integrated HIV prevention strategies that will reduce incidence at a population level
- Support development of optimized, low-cost, point-of-care incidence assays
- Optimize HIV treatment and advance cure research for pregnant women, infants, children, and adolescents
- Improve tuberculosis diagnostics, treatment, and prevention in HIV-infected and at-risk maternal and pediatric populations

The PSP director formulates an overall scientific agenda for the development and clinical evaluation of a variety of HIV prevention interventions, recommends resource allocation across competing initiatives, and continually assesses and reorients program priorities and activities, both anticipating and responding to changing research needs or redefined policies. The PSP director also serves as a key scientific advisor to the DAIDS and NIAID directors and is responsible for ensuring that the prevention research supported by DAIDS is integrated and complementary with internal and external partners.

QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must possess a doctoral-level or equivalent degree and must demonstrate experience in 1) working both independently and collaboratively in planning, organizing, and conducting HIV/AIDS prevention research; 2) serving effectively in research program administration; and 3) effective communications and collaborations. This experience may be gained through senior-level research experiences as a principal investigator or may otherwise be gained through active involvement in initiating research projects, developing protocols, conducting clinical studies, documenting findings, interpreting results in a published report (journal), supervising staff, and managing budgets. Competitive candidates will be widely respected by their peers for their scientific and managerial or executive accomplishments and expertise.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Provide your curriculum vitae, bibliography, and a three-page statement explaining 1) your vision for HIV prevention research, 2) your reasons for being interested in the position, and 3) the specific leadership skills and experience you would bring to the HIV/AIDS research programs at NIAID. In addition, up to three letters of professional reference may be required at a later date as the recruitment process progresses. Submit your application package by email to Bob Gulakowski at rgulakow@niaid.nih.gov. The deadline for receipt of applications is January 4, 2017. Direct any inquiries to Mr. Gulakowski by email or call 301-435-5022.

All information provided by applicants will remain confidential and will be reviewed only by authorized NIAID officials. The successful candidate will be appointed under the Title 42(f) authority at a salary commensurate with their experience but not exceeding \$212,000. A full package of benefits is also available, including retirement; health, life, and long-term care insurance; annual and sick leave; and a thrift savings plan (401K equivalent).

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