



## Position Available: Program Officer, Gynecologic Health and Disease Branch (GHDB)

The *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) is seeking a **program officer** with research expertise relevant to **gynecologic pain syndromes**. This position offers a unique and exciting opportunity to provide scientific leadership and to administer grants in support of basic, translational, and clinical research in the areas of dysmenorrhea, chronic pelvic pain, and vulvodynia. Furthermore, the incumbent will participate in pain research across NICHD and as a representative to trans-NIH pain-related initiatives.

**We are looking for applicants with significant research experience, a commitment to excellence, and the energy, enthusiasm, and innovative thinking to lead a dynamic research program.**

This position is in the Gynecologic Health and Disease Branch ([GHDB](#)) within NICHD's Division of Extramural Research. GHDB aims to improve women's reproductive health by guiding and supporting gynecologic research and career development programs in the areas of menstruation, fibroids, endometriosis, adenomyosis, and pelvic floor disorders, in addition to gynecologic pain syndromes. Details of the GHDB Scientific Vision are described [here](#).

GHDB seeks a candidate with a strong background in basic and/or clinical pain research in women or relevant animal models. Expertise should span a fundamental understanding of peripheral and central pain mechanisms, emerging diagnostic approaches, standardization of assessment criteria, and development of non-pharmacologic and non-opioid treatment modalities.

This is an especially exciting time to join NICHD as we begin implementation of our [NICHD Strategic Plan 2020](#) to shape and advance research in the near- and long-term future. Through implementation of this plan, this position allows the successful candidate to help shape research opportunities that will directly impact the field, biomedical science, and public health for years to come.

This position is subject to a background check. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or U.S. nationals. Foreign nationals or legal permanent residents are not eligible for the position.

For questions about this position, please contact:

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