



# FIREARM INJURY & POLICY RESEARCH PROGRAM

# POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP IN FIREARM INJURY AND POLICY RESEARCH, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

We are recruiting outstanding investigators for an intensive two-year postdoctoral program of mentored, applied research on firearm injury and policy. We are seeking individuals who have completed a doctoral degree program (MD, PhD, or equivalent) and have made a long-term commitment to firearm violence research as their primary career research focus.

The fellowship is offered through the Firearm Injury and Policy Research Program at the Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center (HIPRC) of the University of Washington (UW). The HIPRC is a worldwide leader in injury prevention and control research and UW is one of the world's preeminent public research universities. The HIPRC is a vibrant, interdisciplinary research program with faculty from medicine, public health, law, nursing, social work and public policy.

Investigators at the HIPRC have conducted research on firearm-related topics such as interventions to improve safe storage of firearms, interventions to prevent firearm injury and crime recidivism, observational studies on the relationship of firearm ownership and risk of death due to homicide or suicide, risk factors for firearm injury/death among children, adolescents, adults, the mentally ill, and individuals with dementia, and the effect of laws and public policy changes on firearm injuries and deaths.

This position reports to principal investigators, Ali Rowhani-Rahbar, MD, MPH, PhD, and Frederick Rivara, MD, MPH. The specific content of each fellowship will be tailored to meet the goals and objectives of the fellow. Investigators are actively involved in examining causes and consequences of firearm violence and injury, and evaluating the implementation and effectiveness of public policy for firearm violence and injury prevention. Fellows will be expected to participate in this important translational work.

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#### Job Duties:

- · Collaborate in ongoing research, and design and lead studies, with mentoring by faculty.
- · Contribute to the literature and scholarly work on firearm violence and injury research.

## Qualifications:

- · Must have completed a doctoral degree in a related field.
- · Must be able to commit full-time professional effort.
- · We encourage applications from a variety of medical, public health, public policy, and other academic fields.

## **Desired Qualifications:**

- · Content knowledge or interest in firearm violence and injury research.
- · Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- · Positive, upbeat, and flexible in approach to work in a fast-paced environment; willing to cope with and embrace change.
- · Comfortable with juggling demands of a busy, frequently changing plan of work in a professional manner, while exhibiting sound judgment about priorities and work scope.
- Commitment to the mission of HIPRC.

### Deadline

We are accepting applications for appointments beginning in summer of 2019; this position will remain open until filled. The Fellowship will provide a competitive full-time postdoctoral scholar salary and benefits; funds for research project expenses and travel to a scientific meeting are available. Candidates should provide a cover letter describing their goals and qualifications for the fellowship, specific research interests, and career plans; a CV; contact information for three references; and copies of two published papers or other recent examples of their scholarly work. Materials should be sent to M. Alex Bellenger at mab49@uw.edu.

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