

Associate or Senior Doctorate-level Faculty Investigator Position Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute, Seattle WA

Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute (KPWHRI) (https://www.kpwashingtonresearch.org/) is seeking a mid-career or senior doctoral-level investigator (equivalent in rank to Associate or Full Professor) with nationally recognized research expertise in aging/geriatrics, brain health, and/or Alzheimer's disease and related dementia (ADRD) research to join our faculty. This recruitment is part of the Institute's succession planning and includes taking a visible leadership role within a well-established and successful aging research program, the Adult Changes in Thought (ACT) cohort study. ACT is a unique 'living-laboratory' of aging focused on finding ways to delay or prevent ADRD. Launched in 1994, ACT enrolls Kaiser Permanente Washington members who are free of ADRD and follows them biannually with in-depth assessments; extensive electronic health record data supplement patient-generated data from surveys and biometric devices. ACT recently received a 5-year NIH U19 grant from the National Institute on Aging to extend this unparalleled long-running cohort study of brain health and dementia. The ACT U19 involves close collaboration with researchers at the University of Washington and across the country, and includes 3 projects, 6 cores, and several ancillary studies. Collectively, ACT research focuses on a wide range of aging topics, including vision, traumatic brain injury, physical activity, sleep, and other health behaviors; life course risk factors, including social determinants of health; pharmacoepidemiology; subtypes of ADRD; neuropathology; and neuroimaging and has provided rich insights to support improved understanding of aging. In addition to serving as a lead investigator for ACT, the successful candidate will maintain an independent program of extramurally funded research.

We seek applicants with formal research training, an MD or PhD, and content expertise in aging epidemiology, geriatrics and/or brain health, particularly ADRD, including (but not limited to) MD or PhD clinicians. The ideal candidate will also have:

- National and/or international recognition as a leader in aging/geriatrics/Alzheimer's Disease research.
- A successful history of extramural research funding.
- Strong leadership skills including experience leading large, collaborative research consortia, projects, and/or epidemiologic cohorts as principal investigator
- Ability to provide high-level administrative direction for all facets of research to assure scientific rigor and integrity and anticipate impact of scientific decisions on study operations.
- A history of publishing in high impact journals and giving invited scientific presentations.
- Participation in prominent national-level service activities.
- A demonstrated commitment to mentoring and developing the careers of junior scientists and staff.
- Prior involvement in promoting equity, inclusion, and diversity and a commitment to ACT's and KPWHRI's equity, inclusion, and diversity efforts.



- Interest in working collaboratively with faculty, staff, trainees, and students from a wide range of disciplines, cultures, and backgrounds.
- Demonstrated ability to develop productive relationships with colleagues, mentees, subcontractors, consultants, funding agency personnel, and staff at all levels.

The position is located in Seattle, Washington and residence within Washington state is required. **Applicants** who represent the broad range of diversity and lived experiences in our communities are strongly encouraged to apply.

KPWHRI is an internationally recognized research organization that conducts epidemiologic, health services, preventative, and clinical research to improve health, health equity, and health care for all people. It is one of eight regional research institutes within Kaiser Permanente, all of which conduct public-domain science. That is, while work of the Institute advances care delivery within Kaiser Permanente, our research is not proprietary. We seek to generate knowledge and transform health and health care for all. The Institute's research is primarily funded through federal grants and contracts that total more than \$60 million annually. Our position within Kaiser Permanente Washington (www.kp.org/wa), a not-for-profit health care delivery system headquartered in Seattle, provides a natural laboratory to study important health issues through clinical trials and observational studies which leverage our unique access to members and healthcare data.

KPWHRI has over 300 employees, including a faculty of over 60 scientists trained in public health, medicine, epidemiology, behavioral science, and biostatistics. It is part of a vibrant regional research community including the University of Washington, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and Seattle Veterans' Affairs Medical Center. Most faculty at KPWHRI have affiliate positions at these local research institutions and collaborate locally and nationally. The culture at KPWHRI is highly collaborative, productive, and respectful of the lived experiences of community members, research participants, and employees.

To apply: Please submit a letter of interest, research statement, and CV via Kaiser Permanente's online application system using one of these links:

Associate Investigator: https://www.kaiserpermanentejobs.org/job/seattle/associate-investigator-kpwhri/641/23405431232

Senior Investigator: https://www.kaiserpermanentejobs.org/job/seattle/senior-investigator-kpwhri/641/23405431248

Questions about the position can be directed to Jessica.Chubak@kp.org, Search Committee Co-Chair, or Stacey.D.Adams@kp.org, Talent Acquisition Consultant. Additional application procedures may be required. For full consideration, **submit materials by April 15, 2022**; however, review of applications will continue until the position is filled. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications.

Kaiser Permanente is an equal opportunity employer committed to a diverse and inclusive workforce. Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), age, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, parental status, ancestry, disability, gender identity, veteran status, genetic information, other distinguishing characteristics of diversity and inclusion, or any other protected status.

External hires must pass a background check/drug screen. Qualified applicants with arrest and/or conviction records will be considered for employment in a manner consistent with federal and state laws, as well as applicable local ordinances, including but not limited to the San Francisco and Los Angeles Fair Chance Ordinances.

This position supports Kaiser Permanente's code of conduct and compliance by adhering to all laws and regulations, accreditation and licensure requirements, and internal policies and procedures.

