DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

IU-AMPATH Research Program and the IU Center for Global Health

Position Description

The IU Center for Global Health (IUCGH) is seeking a senior research scientist to serve as Director of Research for the Center and North American Director of Research for the IU-AMPATH Research Program. This is a key position within the administration of research for both the IUCGH and the AMPATH Consortium, a network of North American academic institutions led by Indiana University that partners with Moi University and Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Kenya. We are seeking an active investigator with sufficient experience and maturity to work collaboratively for and within the IUCGH and its consortium of North America and East African universities that conduct research to advance the health of the people in low-income countries. In partnership with AMPATH’s Kenyan Co-Director of Research, the North American Director of Research establishes policies and practices that assure high-quality research and research productivity with processes that comply with the policies of major extramural research sponsors and collaborating universities. He/she commits the majority of his/her professional work life to this administrative work and also conducts his/her own research in a personal portfolio. He/she also seeks to replicate the success of the IU-AMPATH Research Program in other low-income countries.

Some of the specific activities of this position are as follows:

Programmatic Management and governance activities

- Partner in the overall leadership of the IUCGH as it supports and expands the tripartite academic mission of service, teaching, and research in low-income countries.
- In partnership with the Director of the IUCGH, establish the research program’s mission, vision, values, goals, objectives, and operational plans.
- Partner in AMPATH’s Research Program activities with the Kenyan Co-Director of AMPATH Research.
- With the Kenyan Co-Director of Research, appoint, support, and review the work of the AMPATH Co-Field Program Directors of Research (currently there are six).
- As Co-Director of AMPATH Research and Co-Chair of the AMPATH Research Executive Committee, identify key strategic priorities for the further development of AMPATH research, and jointly oversee the management by objectives of the AMPATH Research Program and progress on process improvement initiatives.
- With the Kenyan Co-Director of research, oversee the Research Program Office (RPO), with its personnel in North America (IU) and in Eldoret.
- With his/her Kenyan partner, assume lead responsibilities for AMPATH Research standard operating practices and policies, as periodically reviewed and approved by the AMPATH Research Executive Committee and implemented by the community of research in the AMPATH Consortium, Moi University, and Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital.
- Oversee the interactions of the RPO with the research working groups and core working groups of AMPATH research, as well as the interaction of the RPO and community of investigators with Moi University’s Institutional Research Ethics Committee, IU’s IRB, AMPATH’s Research and Sponsored Programs Office, IU’s Office for Research Operations, and like offices in the other North American universities that are members of the AMPATH Consortium.
• Work with the Director of the IUCGH to expand its research funding base, both enhancing core funding and aiding investigators in obtaining grants and contracts.
• Manage the personnel and financial resources of the North American Research Program Office and its interactions with the administration of the Regenstrief Institute, Inc.
• Assure good integration of the North American RPO with the Kenyan RPO.
• Spend significant time in Kenya and other international venues where the IUCGH has ongoing activities. (The amount of time spent overseas is variable and up to the Director. Past directors have spent 10-30% of their time in international settings.)
• Work with local, regional, and national clinical and public health officials to facilitate the uptake of AMPATH’s research findings into programs and policies.

**Institutional role activities**

• Function as Director of Research for IUCGH within the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) and its partner universities: Indiana, Purdue, and Notre Dame.
• Assume responsibility for integrating research initiatives with the clinical and educational missions of IU and its international partner institutions.
• Participate as member of his/her university faculty within activities of education, research, and governance of relevance to global health research.
• Co-chair the AMPATH Research Executive Committee and participate in its weekly meetings and processes.
• Serve as a seated member of selected research program working groups (presently Adult Medicine, Pediatrics, Public Health/Primary Care).
• Co-chair AMPATH Publications Committee.
• Work collaboratively with the IUPUI Office of International Affairs.

**Research and Mentorship**

• Establish and implement a personal portfolio of research as a principal investigator and co-investigator in global health settings.
• Provide oversight and guidance with activities and interests in research in response to requests from North American faculty members, staff, trainees, and visitors to the IU-Kenya campus and IUCGH’s other international research sites.
• Foster career development of international investigators in the IUCGH and AMPATH research environments.

**Reporting and accountability**

• Maintain productive and accountable reporting relationships to:
  o The Director of IU’s Center for Global Health
  o The IU School of Medicine’s Executive Associate Dean for Research
  o The President of the Regenstrief Institute and the Director of the Regenstrief/IU Center for Health Services and Outcomes Research, as Regenstrief hosts the IUCGH/AMPATH Research Program Office and its personnel
  o His/her Indiana University School of Medicine clinical department chair and division head
  o The Principal of the Moi University College of Health Sciences, the Dean of the Moi University School of Medicine, and the Chair of his/her relevant clinical department at Moi University School of Medicine
  o Chief Executive Officer, AMPATH.

If interested, please email CVs to IUDOM@iupui.edu and wtierney@iupui.edu.