



International Consortium for Health Outcomes Measurement, Inc.
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Role

Research Fellow

Background

ICHOM (www.ichom.org) is a non-profit organisation committed to promoting value-based healthcare globally through universal measurement and reporting of patient outcomes. ICHOM was co-founded in 2012 by leaders from the Harvard Business School, the Boston Consulting Group, and the Karolinska Institute in Sweden.

One of ICHOM's primary activities is the development of condition-specific global outcome sets that focus on what matters to patients. To develop these sets, ICHOM brings together patients, international registry leaders, outcomes researchers, and leading providers to agree on a minimum set of outcomes they recommend all providers track.

We believe adoption of global outcome sets will:

- Help patients better choose the right treatments and providers for their needs
- Enable providers to benchmark and compare how well they are meeting the needs of their patients compared to their peers
- Allow payors to contract on the value of care delivered, not simply volume

We are seeking a Research Fellow who would like to join us part-time in this effort to develop a Standard Set for overall paediatrics with the aim of using this framework for the rest of our future Paediatric Standard Sets.

Duties and Responsibilities

The Research Fellow works alongside an ICHOM Project Leader and the Working Group chair, being primarily responsible for the content creation for the Working Group meetings. This includes the following:

- Defining the scope of the work
- Reviewing the outcomes research literature and existing registry efforts in Paediatrics
 - Includes analysis of common in-use clinical outcomes, their epidemiology, and the common validated patient-reported outcomes and their methodological properties
- Drafting the set of proposed standard measures and their definitions
- Conducting similar work (literature review, questionnaire input, drafts of proposals) for in-use case-mix factors and their definitions
- Authoring publication in a peer reviewed-journal announcing the standard measure set
- Providing input into the Working Group presentation at the annual ICHOM conference
- Other content-focused tasks, as appropriate



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Qualifications and skills

The ideal candidate will be experienced in conducting literature reviews and will be familiar with the evaluation of Patient Reported Outcome Measures (PROMS).

Clinical knowledge is desirable but not essential.

Time Commitment

The commitment is estimated to average 10-12 hours a week for about 10 months to arrive at a Standard Set. Beyond this commitment, we welcome the Research Fellow to stay involved as the group moves into the implementation and benchmarking phases, with the high possibility of subsequent academic publications.

Location

The Research Fellow is not expected to work at the ICHOM offices. Applicants from outside the United States are welcome. However, the Research Fellow is asked to participate in weekly teleconferences with the ICHOM project team. The Research Fellow is also expected to join monthly calls with the working group which typically last 90-120 minutes.

Compensation

We believe the greatest benefit from participating as a Research Fellow is the academic experience and network development, but we also recognise the opportunity cost of participation. For this, we offer a bundled research stipend of USD \$8,000.

Application Procedure

Interested candidates should send a CV/Resume and a short cover letter to Alethse De la Torre (Project Leader) at a.delatorre@ichom.org with a cc to Stephen Flaherty (Director of Standardisation and Benchmarking) at s.flaherty@ichom.org. Applications close December 17th, 2017.