



Seeking Postdocs interested in children's lifestyle behaviors (e.g., physical activity, sleep, diet, screen time)

The Arnold School of Public Health at the University of South Carolina is currently seeking multiple postdoctoral fellow applicants who are interested in working on multiple NIH funded research studies on the topic of promoting physical health behaviors and the well-being of children and adolescents.

The postdoctoral fellows will be integrally involved in the studies conducted by the [Arnold Healthy Kids Initiative](#) research group and the [Research Center for Child Well-being](#). The fellowship will provide training in clinical trial research, intervention trial management, observational cohort designs, and will allow for the development of writing and analysis skills.

Responsibilities include study and personnel management, execution and management of clinical trials; data collection, data analysis, and preparation of data for publication in peer-reviewed journals. Applicants will also be expected to write and submit a post-doctoral fellowship (F32) or career award (K) to the NIH within the first 18 months. Additional emphasis will be placed on leading original analyses and manuscripts, career development, and transition toward independent funding and an independent research career.

Qualifications: Applicants must have a PhD/DrPH/ScD in public health, health psychology, behavioral science, nutrition, physical activity promotion, or a related field or equivalent degrees. An established track record of original, first-author, publications is strongly desired. Candidates should demonstrate established quantitative research skills, experience in analysis of data, excellent written and oral communication skills, and the ability to work independently and with collaborators.

Highlights of the position:

- 1 year appointment with a stipend at the current NIH rate
- Potential for a renewal for a 2nd year contingent upon performance
- Full benefits from the University of South Carolina
- Joining a vibrant and growing team of 19 creative & fun researchers
- Travel and educational opportunities
- Over the last 2 years, 66% of our postdoctoral fellows have received NIH funding as a PI
- Over the last 2 years, 100% of ACOI postdocs have secured a tenure-track faculty position at a research university

Preference will be given to individuals with the following skills and/or experiences:

- Proficiency in basic and complex statistical modeling
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Interests in community-based interventions and process evaluation
- Interests in physical activity, healthy eating, screen time, and/or sleep
- Experience with accelerometry
- Creative and self-motivated
- Strong first-author publication record
- Ability to work effectively both independently and with a team

To apply, please send a statement of interest and CV to one or all of the following Healthy Kids faculty members:

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