POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW POSITION IN
Connecting Leadership Education and Outcome Research Program
(Older Persons’ Transitions in Care (OPTIC))

Area: Geriatrics/Gerontology/Emergency Medicine
Start date: April 1, 2020
End date: March 31, 2022
Salary: $70,000 plus benefits

Position summary:
Applications are invited for a postdoctoral research position within the Connecting Leadership, Education and Research (CLEAR) Outcomes program. We are seeking a postdoctoral fellow to support two concurrent projects. The first project is part of the Older Persons’ Transitions in Care (OPTIC) program branch and entails supporting the implementation and evaluation of a pathway targeted at the early detection and management of acute issues among residents living within long-term care (LTC), including optimizing the use of community paramedicine and emergency department transfers. This project is funded as a PRIHS (Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Health System) grant. The second project is a realist review on appropriate nurse staffing models with a multinational team, funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). The fellow will coordinate and participate in project planning, team meetings, data synthesis and interpretation of findings. The fellow will work with and manage workflow across countries.

This full-time position, contingent on satisfactory performance, is available with an end date of June 30, 2022, with a possibility for extension. The fellow will receive a salary of $70,000 with health benefits, university office space, use of appropriate computational services and full access to university libraries.

Duties will include:
- Manage timelines and target deadlines for deliverables and milestones
- Manuscript preparation for a variety of projects
- Opportunities to present results at local and national meetings

CIHR project:
- Prepare and manage ethics applications
- Organizing and documenting research team/knowledge-user meetings
- Manage workflow across countries
- Summarize and develop program theories

PRIHS project:
- Recruit LTC residents and families for interviews
- Recruit health care providers for focus groups
- Conduct interviews and focus groups
- Qualitative and quantitative data analysis
- In addition to working with the project investigators located at U of Alberta, there is also the opportunity to spend time in Calgary working and learning directly with project investigators at U of Calgary

Qualifications:
A minimum of a PhD, completed within the past 2 years, in the area of health services research, knowledge translation, gerontology, emergency medicine or a related field is required. Candidates must have experience in project management. Candidates should also have experience in qualitative research, knowledge synthesis and in research involving older adults. Mixed methods (qualitative and quantitative) research experience, and strong organization and communication skills are all an asset. The successful candidate must be eligible to work in Canada.

To Apply:
Interested candidates should submit their application (a detailed cover letter and curriculum vitae) to:

Kaitlyn Tate (ktate@ualberta.ca)

Your cover letter should detail your qualifications and address why your skills and experience are suitable for this position.
Closing date:
The position will remain open until filled.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those individuals selected for an interview will be contacted.

The University of Alberta is committed to an equitable, diverse, and inclusive workforce. We welcome applications from all qualified persons. We encourage women; First Nations, Métis and Inuit; members of visible minority groups; persons with disabilities; persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity and expression; and all those who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas and the University to apply.