

## The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Houston, Texas 77030, USA

**TITLE:** Postdoctoral Research Fellow

**LOCATION:** Cizik School of Nursing, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

**SALARY:** Commensurate with experience

**CLOSING DATE:** Open until filled

### **JOB DESCRIPTION:**

A position is available immediately for a Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the lab of Dr. Diane Santa Maria to study intervention development, planning, piloting, and evaluation of a pregnancy prevention and parenting support intervention for youth and young adults experiencing homelessness and unstable housing. The candidate will have the ability to publish dissertation papers, publication opportunities from existing data sets, experience working on a funded project to develop and pilot test an intervention, opportunities to co-author and lead author resulting papers, and the potential for leading an internally funded, independent research project.

### **APPOINTMENT**

This position is a full time, 12-month appointment, renewable for 2 years based on funding and performance

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

To join our team, we are looking for highly motivated individuals that have demonstrated scientific productivity, excellent communication skills, and the capacity to conduct independent research. The candidate must have knowledge of or experience working with high-risk youth or homeless populations. The candidate must be, able to work independently, and capable of working in the community, designing study protocols, analyzing data, and writing and scientific abstracts and manuscripts. Must maintain a flexible schedule including some weekend and evening hours.

**MINIMUM EDUCATION/TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:** A doctoral-level degree in Nursing, Public Health, Social Work, Sociology, or Psychology. Focus on adolescent and young adult sexual health and prevention intervention research is preferred.

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:** Knowledge of pregnancy prevention and parenting support among at-risk youth or homeless populations and intervention study design. Proficiency with data management and statistical software packages such as REDcap, SPSS, SAS, and STATA. Strong communication skills and cultural competence are essential.

**PHYSICAL CAPABILITIES:** Requires long periods of sitting and standing and working at a computer. Field work in resource limited settings with high-risk youth will be required. Exerts up to 20 pounds of force occasionally to move objects.

**WORK ENVIRONMENT:** Office, classroom environment and frequent community field work site visits. Participation in the UTHHealth Postdoctoral Training Program is required.

The fulltime salary range is based on the 2018 NIH appropriate stipend level based on years of experience.

### **TO APPLY**

Interested applicants send a cover letter describing their background and research interests, CV, representative publication, and contact information for three professional references to: **Charmaine Wilson** (6901 Bertner Ave., Jane and Robert Cizik School of Nursing, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, TX 77030) by e-mail to: Charmaine.Wilson@uth.tmc.edu.

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