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School of Population and Public Health, Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia

The Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP), School of Population and Public Health (SPPH), University of British Columbia (UBC) is seeking a senior scientist eligible to be appointed at the rank of Professor with tenure to fill the position of BC Leadership Chair in Child Development. The BC Leadership Chair in Child Development will direct an internationally recognized program of research in child development and health. The incumbent will take a leadership role that supports the building of a critical mass of investigators at UBC and the Child and Family Research Institute (CFRI) that is unparalleled in the world. This work will examine the ways in which systematic differences in childhood environments - varying by neighbourhood, community or socioeconomic context - affect biological and brain development, so that we can understand more fully the factors that foster healthy child outcomes.

The BC Leadership Chair in Child Development will be primarily housed in the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP), an interdisciplinary research centre in the School of Population and Public Health at the University of British Columbia. Unique in Canada, HELP is a network of faculty, researchers and graduate students, comprising the disciplines of neuroscience, social epigenetics, pediatrics, child development, nursing, public health, economics and education. The BC Leadership Chair will build upon the singular research initiatives that currently exist at HELP, and contribute intellectual expertise to integrate HELP's initiatives in social epigenetics, linked and longitudinal database development, population health, and community engagement. As well, the incumbent will build on the knowledge base generated by the Child and Brain Development Program of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR). This individual will draw together the transdisciplinary evidence that members of the CIFAR Program have produced into a conceptual framework focused on the strong and enduring relations between social position, health and human development.

An accomplished record of innovative research and training in implementation research as applied to population health and/or health systems in child development is sought. The

successful candidate will be an internationally recognized leader and have experience leading a global research program. She/he will have at least 15 years of relevant experience. Applicants must also have demonstrated excellence in teaching and will be expected to participate in the undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate teaching activities of the School. She/he must have superior leadership skills, a demonstrated ability to work collaboratively within an interdisciplinary research environment, and the capacity to obtain public and private sources of funding to support these activities. The individual selected will be subject to review and final approval by the LEEF Secretariat.

Applications should include a detailed curriculum vitae, and names of four references. For more information, applicants may contact:

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Please apply through e-recruit at:

<http://facultycareers.ubc.ca/16129>

Closing date: September 30, 2013

Anticipated starting date of this position: January 1, 2014 or upon a date to be mutually agreed.

The University of British Columbia (UBC) is a global centre for research and teaching. Surrounded by the beauty of the Canadian West, UBC embraces bold new ways of thinking that attract exceptional students and faculty. It is a place where innovative ideas are nurtured in a globally connected research community, providing unparalleled opportunities to learn, discover and contribute.

Faculty members, students, staff and alumni in the UBC Faculty of Medicine are actively engaged in innovative, leading edge research, education and community service on university and hospital campuses across the Province. Together we aim to create knowledge and advance learning that will make a vital contribution to the health of individuals and communities, locally, nationally, and internationally.