

Postdoctoral Position

Prevent Child Abuse America Closing date: Open until filled

Organization: Prevent Child Abuse America (PCA America) is the nation's oldest nonprofit organization focusing on the primary prevention of child abuse and neglect. Headquartered in Chicago, PCA America works to address the root causes of abuse and neglect through a 50-state chapter network, the evidence-based home visiting model, Healthy Families America, policy and advocacy work at the federal and state-level, and through raising public awareness of the issue of child abuse and neglect. The research department at PCA America supports evaluation and continuous quality improvement initiatives across the organization and conducts innovative research to address scientific gaps in the field.

Description: PCA America is seeking a postdoctoral candidate for a federal grant evaluating the effects of paid family leave and childcare subsidies in preventing child maltreatment and intimate partner violence. The postdoctoral fellow will work primarily with Drs. Klika and Merrick along with a diverse team of national expert collaborators. Types of research activities may include but are not limited to quantitative secondary data analyses (i.e., data merging, data cleaning, data analysis, interpretation) and writing scholarly journal articles. The successful candidate will have strong methodological skills, work well with a team, have a strong track-record of scholarly productivity, and be motivated to lead projects culminating in peer-reviewed publications. PCA America is interested in individuals with expertise in rigorous quantitative analysis and child maltreatment prevention research.

Qualifications:

- PhD in public health, social work, psychology, public policy/administration, sociology, statistics, or related field.
- Data management and analysis proficiency in Stata, SPSS, R, or SAS is necessary.
- Experience with advanced analytic approaches, including difference-in-difference analysis
- Strong writing skills

Application:

- Cover letter
- CV
- Writing sample
- List of three references

The applicant will receive compensation commensurate with the level of qualification and experience.

The position is located Chicago, IL, but remote work is an option.

This position will start as soon as possible. The current appointment is through August 2023, subject to the availability of funds and satisfactory performance. This R01 grant is funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. PCA America is strongly supportive of applicants from diverse backgrounds; individuals from historically underrepresented populations are encouraged to apply. Please submit materials and questions to Dr. J. Bart Klika at bklika@preventchildabuse.org