Changing Behaviours Group Co-Lead
Evidence to Innovation Research Theme
BC Children’s Hospital Research Institute

Job Description

The Evidence to Innovation (E2i) Theme is positioned at the intersection of data, technology, and health. Our goal is to generate evidence from data, surveillance, research and current practice to innovate clinical and community practice and policies, that improve health outcomes for children and families in BC and beyond.

The mission of the Changing Behaviours: Knowledge Discovery to Translation Group within the E2i Theme is to enable BC children and their families to live healthy, active lives. The group develops, implements and demonstrates the impact of health interventions at individual, organizational and community levels. It engages key stakeholders to inform practices and policies enabling BC children and their families to achieve a state of optimal health.

Summary

E2i is currently seeking ONE (1) Changing Behaviours Group Co-Lead which is a research leadership position within the BC Children’s Hospital Research Institute (BCCHR), working in collaboration with one other Group Co-Lead, and reporting directly to the Theme Co-Directors. The purpose of this position is to provide leadership and support of research activities within the Group.

Changing Behaviours Group Co-Leads work with the Theme Co-Directors to promote and facilitate the Group’s research. They liaise with principal investigators (PIs) within the Group and across BCCHR, and BCCHR Administration on matters of significance to the research mission of the Group, the Theme and BCCHR.

Mandate

Provide Group leadership, integrating the PIs’ input to the Group's strategic plan. Identify opportunities to enhance the breadth and depth of research and strengthening the clinical utility of the Group’s research. The Group Co-Lead will have input into issues of importance to the Group and the Theme including:

- Strategic planning and implementation plans
- Scientific leadership and expertise regarding Group activities
- Recruitment initiatives and strategic opportunities
• Theme Training Programs
• Theme funding prioritization and resource allocation
• Operational processes
• Scientific and academic relations with partner institutions and agencies
• Meetings with key stakeholders
• Budget management and grant opportunities
• Working with PIs within the Group to position the Group for funding and research success
• Working with the Theme Co-Directors and PIs within the Group to determine the direction of research that best meets the strategic research needs of BCCHR
• Together with the Group PIs, creating a collaborative research environment that respects and integrates the input of the research community
• Providing leadership to support and develop PIs within the Group
• Supporting the Theme Co-Directors in identifying future researchers who would be good candidates as PIs in the Theme

Group Administration

Administrative support for group deliverables to the Theme and BCCHR is provided by the Theme Research Manager and the Theme Coordinator.

Appointment Process, Term, Stipend

There will be an open call for nominations for the Group Co-Lead position with the Theme Co-Directors making a recommendation to the BCCHR Senior Executive Director. The Senior Executive Director confirms the appointment in consultation with the Research Leadership Council (RLC).

The Group Co-Lead must be an active researcher within BCCHR and a member of the E2i Theme throughout the term of the appointment.

The appointment is a five (5) year renewable term, for a maximum of two (2) terms. The Group Co-Lead may step down from their position within the five year term with an appropriate notice period.

There is a $3,000 annual stipend, which is shared between the two Group Co-Leads. Group Co-Leads who are also members of the RLC receive this stipend in addition to the RLC stipend.

Application Process

Interested applicants should submit an application package consisting of a letter of interest addressed to Drs. Ian Pike and Rod Rassekh, accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae. Please submit application packages to E2i Admin: E2i@bcchr.ca (subject line: Changing Behaviours, Group Co-Lead) by Friday, December 15th at 4:00pm PST.