

Harvard-wide Pediatric Health Services Research Fellowship

Goals

- Address critical gaps in child health services research, including studies of access, equity, quality, outcomes, and cost-effectiveness of care
- Fundamentally improve the capacity of the U.S. health care system to meet the needs of children and families, including disadvantaged and minority populations and children with chronic health conditions
- Training in:
 - Cutting-edge methods in health services research (e.g., comparative effectiveness research, experimental and quasi-experimental designs, decision analysis, machine learning, qualitative)
 - Implementation and improvement science
 - Learning health system competencies and patient/family-centered research

Research Sites (~ 60 affiliated faculty)

- Boston Children's Hospital
- MassGeneral Hospital for Children
- Department of Population Medicine, Harvard Pilgrim HealthCare Institute

Learning Opportunities

- Two-year program includes intensive mentorship
- MPH in Clinical Effectiveness at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
- Structured seminars weekly
- 80-90% research, 10-20% clinical

Faculty Leaders

- Program Director: Kathleen Walsh, MD, MS
- Associate Program Director: Davene Wright, PhD
- Senior Advisor: Don Goldmann, MD
- Site Directors: Karen Kuhlthau, PhD & Margaret McConnell, PhD
- Core Faculty: Lauren Fiechtner, MD

Funding by Primary Department Must be Approved by Applicant's Department

- The full MPH tuition
 - Here is the [MPH Tuition Link](#) for cost analysis, listed as the "Master of Public Health 45 – credit/Part-Time Tuition Rate (per year)"
 - Please note the [breakouts of payments](#).
- Final salaries are determined by the primary department

Eligibility

- Outstanding generalists and subspecialists in pediatrics, postdoctoral clinicians and scientists in related fields (must hold a Ph.D., M.D., D.D.S., Sc.D., Dr.P.H., D.Pharm., or equivalent doctoral degree to apply)
- Must hold a position at one of the research sites at the time of fellowship
- Applicants must be U.S. citizen or permanent resident

Information and Application

- Please see the [HSR Fellowship website](#) for application details.
- Please contact the HSR Fellowship with any questions at HSRFellowship@childrens.harvard.edu

Deadline: September 30, 2026 for July 2027 entry.