



Health Economist

Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness and Safety (IQEST)

Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center and
Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX

IQEST (a collaborative center of health services research between the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center and Baylor College of Medicine) is seeking a **Health Economist Researcher** to join a grant-supported, multidisciplinary research team that is nationally recognized for work in patient safety, behavioral health, quality improvement, implementation science and population health.

Salary will be dependent upon qualifications.

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Tasks and Responsibilities

- Develop program objectives, strategies and study methods on health care
- Design and execute research studies to guide effective use of information and resources
- Lead and direct plans to calculate various costs related to health care
- Utilize research programs on health economic topics
- Suggest new health outcomes for treatment and prevention of health issues
- Evaluate current and proposed strategies and interpret findings
- Communicate economic assessment results to appropriate internal audiences
- Perform economic analysis and model plans for health-care programs
- Communicate and distribute academic literature, presentations and reports on research findings to update about new issues, solutions and other topics
- Provide lectures or educational sessions to educate about health economics

Education Required

A health economist should possess minimum qualifications in order to qualify for such a position. PhD required in health economics, health policy, or the related branch of study with two years of work experience.

Skills Required

- Knowledge of the health-care industry and U.S. health system
- Good understanding of the subject of economics and international relations
- Right balance of mathematical and analytical aptitude to comprehend the economic aspects thoroughly
- Excellent research skills and ability to analyze findings to make appropriate use
- Clear understanding of the country's health economy
- Abreast with the national economic policies and its impact on the health-care sector
- Understand and apply mathematical concepts
- Fluent verbal and written communication skills
- Possess strong leadership and management skills
- Ability to work on multiple projects and meet deadlines
- Strong orientation to team work
- Experience in successful implementation of plans and achievement of objectives
- Ability to think analytically and strategically

Additional Qualification

- Applicants must be a **United States Citizen.**
- Ability to work effectively as a member of an interdisciplinary team.
- Excellent interpersonal and communications skills in both written and spoken English.

Interested candidates should submit a current curriculum vitae and cover letter to:

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Please reference "**Health Economist**" in subject line.