

Senior Research Specialist
Center for Research on Women and Gender
University of Illinois at Chicago

The Center for Research on Women and Gender promotes collaborative, multidisciplinary research related to women and gender, with an emphasis on work, health and culture. In addition to research conducted within the university community, the Center collaborates with a range of other Chicago organizations to assist them in developing their evaluation and research programs. The Center's mission is to produce improved understanding of the lives of women and the role of gender in society.

Senior Research Specialist: The Senior Research Specialist is an integral research staff member primarily working as a maternal health epidemiologist on the Innovations to ImPROve Maternal OuTcomes in Illinois (I PROMOTE-IL) research project, funded by the U.S. Health Resources & Services Administration.

Duties:

- Coordinate data collection and reporting for the program's multiple activities
- Communicate with external partners across the state
- Prepare and disseminate program deliverables, including data reports and a state strategic plan.
- Collaborate with the leadership team to develop and executive all aspects of the program including:
 - Work directly with the State of Illinois and other project partners to collect, process and analyze population data on maternal outcomes.
 - Select appropriate measures to track project outcomes, and design a data collection system for reporting measures.
 - Interpret data and prepare results for dissemination to stakeholders and the internal project team.
 - Prepare a state strategic plan guiding the translation of maternal health data into an actionable plan for Illinois' Title V program and update annually
 - Support statewide maternal health data collection, analysis and interpretation of findings
 - Monitor program developments on an ongoing basis and propose and implement program changes as needed
 - Support ongoing qualitative and quantitative program evaluation activities across multiple project components, including but not limited to, key informant interviews, survey development, and data analysis
 - Work with partners at the administrative perinatal centers, ILPQC and Illinois DocAssist to document all training that occurs as a result of grant activities, and develop mechanisms to track maternal health improvement as a result of training across the state
 - Use a variety of population health data sources to monitor Illinois maternal health indicators for changes related to the baseline over the grant period
 - Conduct key informant interviews and qualitative analysis as part of the program evaluation.
 - Contribute data analysis and writing to the annual Maternal Morbidity and Mortality Report

- Serve as a member of the Illinois Maternal Mortality Committees
- Coordinate and direct the work of lower level research staff, including student research assistants. Guide and train lower level researchers and students on methods and analysis related to the Center's research efforts.

Qualifications:

- a Master's degree in public health, epidemiology or related field, with specific experience in statistical analysis using SAS or R.
- training and work experience in the field of maternal and child health epidemiology.

To apply for this position, please submit a resume, cover letter and application [online](#).

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