

Company: Children's Mercy Kansas City

Job Title: Medical Director, Infection Prevention and Control - Pediatric Infectious Diseases

Brief description of the position: Medical Director, Infection Prevention and Control – Pediatric Infectious Diseases

The Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases is seeking a BE/BC Pediatric Infectious Diseases Specialist at the current rank of Assistant Professor or higher to serve as the Medical Director for Infection Prevention and Control. The candidate should have strong clinical and interpersonal skills and the ability and commitment to collaborate with co-leadership and the whole of the pediatric enterprise. Previous infection prevention and control experience is preferred.

Medical Director will:

- Lead the continued development, implementation and analysis of the organization's infection control program. Key program elements include infection surveillance, prevention and control activities, surveillance data analysis and reporting, guiding prevention and follow-up activities, evaluating the effectiveness of interventions, providing infection prevention education for hospital personnel and providing expert infection prevention guidance during infection surge events.
- Collaborate with Director of Infection Prevention and Control to develop the system wide infection prevention plan including establishment of infection prevention program priorities and oversight of program performance.
- Co-lead with the Director of Infection Prevention and Control the performance improvement activities related to Infection Prevention and Control practices and prevention of healthcare acquired infections.
- Develops systems to provide expert knowledge, oversight and education related to infection prevention across the organization

The Division staff currently consists of 11 ID faculty, 3 postdoctoral fellows in its accredited Pediatric Infectious Diseases fellowship training program: 4 ID nurse practitioners, 2 PharmD, and a PhD. Twelve research coordinators and a manager support the ID clinical research efforts. The Division has a strong collaborative relationship with the CMKC Clinical Microbiology Laboratory and its Director, as well as ongoing NIH funded studies including Understanding COVID-19 among critically ill children in the Pediatric Acute Lung Injury and Sepsis Investigator's (PALISI) Network, Support for Safe Return to in-Person School: COVID-19 Testing, Learning, and Consultation, and the International Maternal Pediatric Adolescent AIDS Clinical Trials Network (IMPAACT). We are also a CDC National Vaccine Surveillance Network (NVSN) site and have ongoing funding from extramural foundations and Biopharma.

Infectious diseases faculty, fellows, and APRNs care for approximately 1700 outpatients annually including patients at the International Adoption, Special Immunology, and Travel Medicine Clinics. Over 1500 new inpatient consults are seen annually including ~300 on the Immune Compromised Host service.

The successful applicant must share our unwavering commitment to excellence, integrity, collegiality, antiracism, and respect for inclusion of individuals with diverse backgrounds.

Please click on the following link to apply:

<https://faculty-childrensmercykc.icims.com/jobs/16509/physician/job?mode=view>

Qualifications you are seeking: Children's Mercy Kansas City is an independent, non-profit, 386-bed pediatric health system, providing over half a million patient encounters each year for children from across the country. Children's Mercy is ranked by U.S. News & World Report in nine specialties. We have received Magnet® recognition five times for excellence in nursing services. In affiliation with the University of Missouri-Kansas City, and the University of Kansas, our faculty of more than 800 pediatric specialists and researchers are actively involved in clinical care, pediatric research and educating the next generation of pediatricians and pediatric subspecialists.

The Children's Mercy Research Institute (CMRI) integrates research and clinical care with nationally recognized expertise in genomic medicine, precision therapeutics, population health and health care innovation. In 2021 the CMRI moved into a nine story, 375,000 square foot space emphasizing a translational approach to research in which clinicians and researchers work together to accelerate the pace of discovery that enhances care. We invite you to visit Children's Mercy Hospital virtually at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GtIXT3xK-bl>

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