The Department of Population Health Sciences at Weill Cornell Medical College invites applications for the position of Chief of the Division of Biostatistics. The Division develops innovative statistical research guided by and benefiting clinical and laboratory-based research projects; provides quality statistical support in the design and analysis of research developed by clinical and laboratory investigators; trains medical students, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and other research staff in the use of statistical methods and software; and trains the next generation of biostatisticians and data scientists.

The Division Chief will play a leadership role in the design and execution of foundational, translational, clinical, and health services research throughout the Medical College in collaboration with the Weill Cornell and NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital Joint Clinical Trials Office, the Weill Cornell Clinical and Translational Science Center, and multiple departments, centers and institutes. The Chief will further develop the Division’s capabilities to support these research activities across the institution and to engage in leading edge methodological and applied research.

The Division Chief will oversee the Sandra and Edward Meyer Cancer Center’s Biostatistics Shared Resource which provides statistical collaboration in the development and conduct of cancer research that includes basic science, clinical trials, population studies and high dimensional statistical analyses. The Biostatistics Shared Resource has a core group of faculty and staff with a cancer focus.

The Division Chief will lead a talented and robust group of faculty, including the Director of the Weill Cornell Biostatistics Consulting Service and the Director of the Weill Cornell Graduate School MS in Biostatistics and Data Science as well two dozen staff. There will be opportunity for further growth of both faculty and staff. The Division Chief will also be expected to play an important role in the Department’s new PhD program in Population Health Sciences.

The selected chief, who will be an accomplished academic researcher with exemplary leadership experience, will join the leadership team of a highly collaborative, rapidly growing department. Our faculty interact frequently across Weill Cornell Medicine, with colleagues at Cornell Tech and Cornell University (including Cornell’s newly launched School of Public Policy), and with New York Presbyterian Hospital (ranked 7th in the country by U.S. News & World Report) and its multi-hospital system.

The ideal candidate will have (1) a doctoral degree in statistics, biostatistics, or a closely related field, (2) excellent communication skills, (3) a strong track record of independent and interdisciplinary collaborative research (e.g., SPORE grants, Data Coordinating Centers) as well as success in extramural funding and program development, (4) expertise in clinical trials and experience in cancer research and (5) enthusiasm for mentoring junior faculty. Collaborative leadership skills are critical.
The Department has significant data resources including the INSIGHT Clinical Data Research Network (largest urban clinical data network in the country) and extensive data from Medicare, Medicaid, and major commercial insurers. We host a state-of-the-art computing environment, the Data Core, which serves as a secure platform for data analysis and includes state and national data available for reuse.

Interested applicants should submit, via email: (1) a cover letter; (2) a statement of demonstrated commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion; 3) a recent C.V.; and (4) the names and contact information of three references to Awista Hamid at awh4002@med.cornell.edu by August 31, 2023. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

Diversity is one of Weill Cornell Medicine’s core values and is essential to achieving excellence in patient care, research, and education. We welcome applications from candidates who share our commitment to fostering a culture of fairness, equity, and belonging. Weill Cornell Medicine is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer, providing equal employment opportunities to all qualified applicants without regard to race, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, color, age, religion, protected veteran or disability status, or genetic information.