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Chair of Neurology

The University of New Mexico, School of Medicine is seeking a dynamic leader to serve as Chair of the Department of Neurology at the UNM Health Sciences Center. The Chair will provide strategic leadership and direction for all aspects of the Department of Neurology's involvement in the University as well as in the state and region.

The Neurology Department was established in 1973 and plays a critical role in the health of the State of New Mexico. The faculty has expertise in all of the major subspecialty areas in Neurology, including multiple sclerosis, stroke, memory disorders (including Alzheimer's disease and vascular cognitive impairment), epilepsy, movement disorders, neuromuscular diseases, neuroinfectious diseases, and pediatric neurology. In many of these areas, faculty at the Health Sciences Center represents the only

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resource in the state for subspecialty-trained experts.

The Department has major research funding for stroke and brain vascular malformation, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy vascular cognitive impairment, epilepsy, brain tumors and Alzheimer's disease. These research programs involve scientists in both the clinical and basic sciences.

We are able to offer patients experimental treatments for many conditions. UNM offers advanced neuroimaging in computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), angiography, and PET-CT. In partnership with the Mind Research Network, there are research dedicated resources for 3T MRI and magnetoencephalography (MEG) for research studies.

Faculty in Neurology work closely with our colleagues in Neurosurgery to provide state-of-the-art care for patients with surgically treatable conditions such as ischemic stroke, aneurysms, vascular malformations, hemorrhages, epilepsy surgery and, deep brain stimulation for Parkinson's disease. There is a close collaboration with faculty in psychiatry and neuropsychology.

The Department of Neurology faculty staff the outpatient neurology clinics at University Hospital and at UNM's Sandoval Regional Medical Center (SRMC), newly opened in July 2012, a joint academic and community hospital 30 miles from UH with 72 beds, including emergency and surgical services. There are also outreach clinics for Pediatric Neurology.

### Departments Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide comprehensive neurological care with a wide variety of subspecialists, to excel in education of medical students and residents, to prepare future neurologists, and to bring to New Mexicans the latest developments in treatment of neurological diseases through advanced scholarship and innovative research.

### Education

The residents are exposed to a tri-cultural population and vast gamut of pathologies. We have a large and diverse faculty that continues to grow while maintaining a personalized investment in resident training.

#### ? Adult Neurology Residency Program

The University of New Mexico offers an ACGME accredited neurology residency, accepting 4 trainees per year. The specialized three year program seeks to provide the foundation for academic, clinical, or research-oriented careers in neurology. The Department's residents train at both the University of New Mexico Hospital and Albuquerque Veteran's Administration Hospital. Throughout the program, the primary goal is to provide residents the opportunity to work closely with the faculty, as they prepare for specialty board exams in neurology and for careers in academia or in private practice.

#### ? Child Neurology Residency Program

The University of New Mexico offers a combined, ACGME accredited Pediatrics-Neurology residency,

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training. After completing the five year program, residents are well-trained clinicians, educators, and investigators prepared for fellowship or entrance into the field of child neurology.

#### ? Clinical Neurophysiology Fellowship Program

The University of New Mexico Clinical Neurophysiology Fellowship is an ACGME accredited 1-year program. Upon successful completion of the program, fellows will be eligible for the Added Qualifications Examination in Clinical Neurophysiology. The training emphasis will be on the interpretation of central nervous system neurophysiology, such as EEG, video EEG, evoked potentials, and sleep medicine. Fellows are expected to be proficient in the diagnosis and treatment of epilepsy at the completion of training. Training is available and required in electromyography, nerve conduction studies, intraoperative monitoring and polysomnography.

#### Centers and Programs

The UNM Brain and Behavioral Health Institute (BBHI) unites clinical, research, education and community initiatives in all of the neuroscience disciplines. BBHI's mission is to improve the brain and behavioral health of all New Mexicans, across the lifespan. There are many programs and components supported by the BBHI platform, including:

- Biomedical Research and Integrative NeuroImaging (BRaIN) Center

The BRaIN Center is a multimodal integrative neuroimaging facility for preclinical CNS pathophysiology research at the UNM Health Sciences Center.

- The Comprehensive Parkinson Disease and Movement Disorders Program at UNM

The Movement Disorder specialists at The Comprehensive Parkinson Disease and Movement Disorders Program at the University of New Mexico provide expert diagnosis and comprehensive care and management of all movement disorders including Parkinson Disease, atypical Parkinsonian syndromes, dystonia, tremor, tics, myoclonus, ataxia and Huntington Disease.

- UNM Comprehensive Epilepsy Center

The Center provides state-of-the-art medical services for individuals with seizure disorders whose seizures fail to be completely stopped by medications, and to seek cures for epilepsy through innovation in research and medical care. The Center also provides education about seizure disorders for individuals with epilepsy and their families, as well as for health care professionals.

- UNM Stroke Care Center

The first and only comprehensive multidisciplinary center certified in the State of New Mexico; leading the way in providing diagnosis and treatment for stroke and cerebrovascular disorders.

- UNM Center for Aging and Memory

The University of New Mexico recently launched its Center for Aging and Memory. The Center focuses on the research and treatment of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. The clinical practice is located at the University's Sandoval Regional Medical Center (SRMC), in addition to the Health Sciences Center campus, with all associated research activities held at the Domenici Hall located on the North campus of the University of New Mexico. The Center is under the direction of

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Gary Rosenberg, M.D., who has spent his career at UNM and was the former chair. He specializes in the care and treatment of patients experiencing age related vascular and neurodegenerative cognitive disorders.

- Neuromuscular disease program

The department manages specialty pediatric and oculopharyngeal muscular dystrophy clinics and an ALS program associated with the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

#### Neurology Research Programs

Research is a major component in the Department of Neurology, with most of the faculty actively engaged in either clinical or basic science research. Resources provided as part of the BBHI include:

- The BRaIN Imaging Center has state-of-the-art NMR, MEG, EPR, and optical imaging available to our preclinical neuroscience researchers.
- The BBHI has its home at Pete and Nancy Domenici Hall, which also supports the CoBRE Center for Brain Recovery and Repair and the Center for Memory and Aging. Domenici Hall includes the Neurobiology facility, with both wet and dry lab space to support translational research. This facility provides research space to the Departments of Neurology, Neurosurgery, and Psychiatry.

#### Neurology Specialties

The Clinical Neurosciences Center specializes in the care of the adult and pediatric populations in the following clinical areas:

- Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
- Nerve Conduction Studies (NCS)/Electromyogram (EMG) testing/Electro diagnostic Studies
- Epilepsy
- General Neurology
- Headache
- Huntington's disease (HD)
- Memory Disorders
- Movement Disorders
- Muscular Dystrophy (MDA)
- Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
- Neuromuscular Disorders
- Oculopharyngeal Muscular Dystrophy (OPMD)
- Pediatric Neurology
- Peripheral Neuropathy
- Stroke and brain vascular malformations
- Sleep Disorders
- Vagal Nerve Stimulation (VNS)

#### Minimum Qualifications

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The Neurology Chair is an MD or equivalent degree (M.D/PhD., or MBBS or D.O.), be eligible for a NM License, Board Certified in Neurology and have academic credentials equivalent to an Associate or Full Professor at the University of New Mexico, School of Medicine. The candidate must have administrative and leadership experience in an academic institution.

Preferred Qualifications: The Chair must be a person of high integrity with a record of significant achievement in academic medicine. Highly desirable qualifications include:

- Demonstrated experience in leadership roles (Division Chief or higher), at an operational level within an academic health center
- A collegial leadership style marked by the ability to work collaboratively with students, faculty and staff to foster a positive work environment that enhances creativity and synergy across a diverse group.
- Strong record of skills in administration, including finance, strategic planning, policy and in managing political situations. practical administrative, fiscal and budgetary skills, fundraising experience,
- A track record of involvement working with communities to increase health care access and reduce health disparities/inequities, particularly as experienced by vulnerable populations
- Evidence of leadership and experience in the business management of a complex clinical enterprise
- A record of successful development of educational and training programs for students, residents and fellows
- Strong record of excellence in education, educational innovation and experience with faculty development and mentoring recognized investment in faculty development and mentoring.
- An established research career with the ability to reduce barriers and build interdisciplinary research initiatives
- Exceptional communication skills, track record as consensus builder and collaborator with ability to give direction and guidance
- Evidence of commitment to diversity and equity and experience working with diverse cultures
- Experience with the VA Medical System
- Demonstrated ability to create a collaborative vision for the future and to bring it to fruition in an organized and timely manner

For best consideration applications must be received by October 27, 2017. However, position will remain open until filled.

How to Apply: A complete application consist of: (1) current curriculum vitae; (2) a comprehensive letter of interest that addresses how their strengths and experience match the qualifications for the position, and what they see as challenges and opportunities of the Chair in the current academic environment, and.; (3) names, addresses and contact information for five references. For information

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### **EEO/AA Policy**

The Search Committee of this position particularly encourages applications and nominations of women and minorities from under-represented groups. The University of New Mexico is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and Educator.

### **Contact Information**

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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