

## **National Institutes of Health Jobs**

**Introduction-** NIH- National Institutes of Health is an agency in the U.S. It is the primary agency in the country which is responsible for health and biomedical related research. The agency includes 27 institutes, offices and centers including the Director's Office.



**About National Institutes of Health:** The roots of NIH can be traced back to 1887 and the MHS-Marine Hospital Service where a small laboratory had been created. During the 1880s, scientists in Europe provided compelling evidence that many infectious diseases were caused by microscopic organisms. By 1992, the name of the organization was changed to Public Health Services.

A laboratory was established at the Harvard Medical School for Special Cancer Investigations. This was when the agency began partnering with universities. It was in 1930 that the Hygienic Laboratory received a new designation- NIH. In 1967, the agency created a Regional Medical Programs Division for administering grants related to the research for strokes, cancer and heart diseases.

Cancer research was being undertaken in full force by 1971 and the National Cancer Act was signed by President Nixon which initiated the Cancer Advisory Board, Caner Panel and 15 other new demonstration, training and research centers. The agency has since then grown to encompass 1% of the operating budget of the U.S. Federal government. It currently controls over 50% of all the funding allocated to health research as well as 85% of funding related to university health studies.

**Employment at the National Institutes of Health:** Careers in National Institutes of Health provide applicants a place to start their careers, whether they are changing careers, working on their doctoral degree or are recent graduates. The agency provides a lot of opportunities to grow.

National Institutes of Health employs around 18,000 employees in various occupations and supporting research for a healthier nation. The support and scientific staff in the research program oversee over 41,000 grants awarded for research every year for the studies undertaken at more than 2,400 research facilities and schools throughout the country.

Jobs at the National Institutes of Health include valuable benefits that are provided to the employees. Careers at NIH start with benefits such as relocation expense payment and signing bonuses. Employees at the agency are federal workers therefore they also receive federal benefits

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such as retirement plans, health insurance and leave programs.

Other than the basic pay, employees also receive allowances, bonuses and overtime compensation.

**Usual National Institutes of Health Job Openings: NIH Jobs** are available in a wide range of areas, as given below:

- Administrative Jobs
- Executive Jobs
- Student/Internship Jobs
- Clinical/Scientific Jobs

Current NIH Job Openings: Some of the positions that are currently available in NIH are

- Account Technician
- Administrative Officer
- Budget Analyst
- Contract Specialist
- Biomedical Engineer
- Ethics Specialist
- Interdisciplinary Scientist
- Program Analyst

NIH provides opportunities for tuition reimbursement and continuing education, internships, management training and research.

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