The Doctor of Physical Therapy Division (DPT) and the Division of Spine Surgery seeks a postdoctorate fellow with an interest and training in spine research. This position is best suited for a highly-motivated researcher who is interested in studying advanced care models, health services research and outcomes research. The position is designed to promote collaboration between the DPT program, the Division of Spine Surgery at Duke University, and the Duke Clinical Research Institute at Duke University; and is in response to the tremendous growth and development that has occurred in the DPT and Spine divisions. Mentorship will be provided directly by Dr. Chad Cook; but will also include indirect mentorship by Dr. William Richardson (Spine Division Chief) and Dr. Steven George (DCRI core director).

**Qualifications**
- Clinical or academic doctorate with interest in spine outcomes research
- Licensed physical therapist, or license eligible
- Excellent verbal and written English communication skills
- Ability to work independently as well as cooperatively with other spine division members as a team
- Capacity to write manuscripts
- Motivation to write grants
- A proven record of publications in spine research or rehabilitation research

**Technical Skill Requirement:**
- Proficient use of SPSS, Stata, SAS or other statistical software
- Experience in database stewardship, mining, or development
- Understanding of research methodology

**Responsibilities**
- Conceptualize, collaborate and design experiments associated with spinal research
- Write grants
- Author manuscripts for quality publications in top-tier journals
- Attend and present at national and/or international meetings and collaborate across groups in the research unit.

The position is a funded, 24-month post-doctorate fellowship. Interested candidates selected for an interview will be asked to present their research portfolio. All interested candidates should send (in confidence) a cover letter and curriculum vitae by August 1st, 2017 including contact information for three references by email to:

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