

**Title:** Research Scientist  
**Organization Name:** EDC  
**Position Information:** Part-time  
**Duty Location:** Waltham, MA

**About the organization:**

EDC is one of the world's leading nonprofit research and development firms. EDC designs, implements, and evaluates programs to improve education, health, and economic opportunity worldwide. Collaborating with both public and private partners, we strive for a world where all people are empowered to live healthy, productive lives.

**EDC is committed to diversity in the workplace.**

Health and Human Development (HHD) Programs at EDC has a part-time opening for a Research Scientist, reporting to the Division's Senior Vice President. The candidate will participate in the development of proposals and execution of projects that address the behavioral and mental health needs of clinical and community populations. The successful candidate will bring clinical experience working with children, youth and families in hospitals, schools, and community settings. Expertise in screening and treatment for alcohol and addictions is highly desirable. The successful candidate will have experience developing research proposals, designing and evaluating innovative prevention, screening and treatment interventions, as well as a proven track record of publication.

HHD programs identify opportunities to promote individual, family, and community health and address disparities. We break down barriers to reach the medically underserved and improve the delivery of coordinated, evidence-based prevention and treatment services. Our programs reach the young and the elderly—and their caregivers—in diverse settings, including clinics, hospitals, schools, Head Start programs and child care centers, community programs, senior centers, and assisted living. We develop community-level health communications campaigns as well as face-to-face and online training programs for physicians, nurses, mental health counselors, and allied health providers. We design digital health tools for reaching busy professionals, for screening clinical populations, and for providing consumers with self-management support.

**Duties**

The Research Scientist will:

- Identify and pursue funding opportunities that build on and expand EDC's behavioral health portfolio, especially in the areas of alcohol and other substance abuse screening and treatment programs
- Augment the organization's intellectual capital, while developing greater recognition as a leader in the field
- Serve as lead or co-investigator on original research on addictions and suicide
- Design state-of-the-art interventions that can be feasibly implemented in clinical and community settings
- Lead development efforts, including formation of partnerships and drafting, editing and revising proposals

- Prepare publications and presentations for scientific, policy, and practitioner audiences (may travel)
- Collaborate with senior staff and coach project teams to spur publications

In addition, an EDC Research Scientist is expected to:

- Expand contacts and strengthen client relations; develop business and professional relationships by communicating technical information to stakeholders
- Advise, consult and collaborate with senior management and project staff
- Troubleshoot complex problems and develop solutions
- Provide supervision or direction to junior staff
- Contribute to divisional and EDC expertise and activities

### **Qualification Requirements**

This position requires educational achievement; excellent writing skills; demonstrable initiative, creativity, and flexibility; ability to work independently and effectively in groups; and strong interpersonal & organizational skills. Specific requirements:

- PhD or equivalent required
- Clinical experience highly desirable (e.g., social work, psychology, health education)
- With PhD, 3–5 years relevant experience
- Publication record
- Demonstrable leadership skills
- Demonstrable professional networking skills