Summer 2019 Research Assistantship
Massachusetts General Hospital, Health Policy Research Center

The Health Policy Research Center at the Mongan Institute, Massachusetts General Hospital is seeking a full-time paid, summer Research Assistant to support the research activities of investigators within the Program for Clinical Economics and Policy Analysis during the summer of 2019. Opportunities are available to continue work part-time during the academic year, or to continue full-time for graduating seniors.

Reporting to John Hsu, MD, MBA, MSCE, and Vicki Fung, PhD, the Research Assistant will play a key role in conducting research that examines the clinical and economic effects of health care policy changes in the United States, including insurance coverage expansion, payment reform, and delivery system change. Specific clinical areas include mental health, dementia, stroke, cardiovascular disease, and cancer. Working in collaboration with a team of researchers, clinicians, economists, and biostatisticians, the Research Assistant’s responsibilities could include the following:

- Conducting literature reviews
- Gathering background information on specific policy changes
- Obtaining and combining novel data sources
- Extracting, cleaning, and analyzing data (e.g., medical claims, survey, clinical outcomes)
- Evaluating the impact of health policies on health care access, use, quality, and spending
- Assisting with disseminating findings through presentations and manuscripts

Applicants must be a current sophomore, junior, or senior who has completed coursework in statistics, mathematics, health policy, economics, or a related field. They must have excellent quantitative, analytic, and organizational skills, the ability to work both independently and in a team setting, and an enthusiasm for learning about health policy and new methodologies related to the research. Prior experience with statistical programs (e.g., Stata, SAS, R), database management, and the research process is a plus.

If you are interested in joining our team, please send your CV/resume to Lindsay Overhage at loverhage@partners.org highlighting your relevant coursework and analytic experience. We look forward to hearing from you!