The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Wayne State University (WSU) has long been recognized internationally as a major academic center in women’s health and child development. We were recently awarded a 5 year renewal of the “Women’s Reproductive Health Research (WRHR) Career Development Program (K12) training grant. The WRHR training program provides an exceptional opportunity for aspiring physician scientists to become leaders in women’s health research. I would be delighted if you would be willing to share this opportunity with interested and qualified colleagues, including those with a disadvantaged background.

We are seeking applicants for a junior Ob/Gyn faculty appointment, including candidates at the assistant professor, senior fellow, or senior resident levels, who wish to pursue careers as physician scientists. Scholars will engage in research for 75% of their academically defined time for a period of 2-5 years, with funding provided for salary support, research, coursework and travel. WSU has outstanding mentors in reproductive biology, reproductive and perinatal medicine, and related fields with abundant research resources available to WRHR Scholars. We have particular strength in high dimensional, extending to translational science.

The WSU Department of Ob/Gyn for the past 50 years has been routinely ranked among the top 10 Ob/Gyn departments for research in the country. Research on human growth and development at WSU includes overarching themes of reproductive sciences, gyn/onc and perinatal health in a urban environment. The department currently holds 8 endowed chairs and is staffed with 30 clinicians, 14 faculty researchers, 21 midwives, 40 residents, and 14 fellows. A unique feature of the department is that it houses the Perinatology Research Branch of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). The C.S. Mott Center for Human Growth and Development is a stand-alone research building of the Department of Ob/Gyn, and houses the WSU Clinical Research Center, Applied Genomics Technology Center, the University-wide genomics/epigenomics core and the WSU Bioinformatics core.

Qualified candidates must have completed an Ob/Gyn Residency, be a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident, and can be appointed in the final research year of clinical fellowship training. Candidates cannot have previously served as a PI or Co-PI on an R01, R29, K-series, or other large NIH award. However, candidates who have served as a PI of an R03 or R21 award are eligible.

If you are aware of any scholars or trainees that may be interested in this opportunity, please encourage them to forward a letter of interest, along with their curriculum vitae, to the attention of Robert J. Sokol, MD as follows:

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