New evidence-based policy team in Washington, DC hiring psychological scientists

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A new scientific team in the Executive Office of the Mayor of Washington, DC is hiring psychological scientists, data scientists, and others, with a September 19 deadline. This new team, called The Lab @ DC, was founded and is directed by David Yokum, formerly of the U.S. Social and Behavioral Sciences Team and GSA Office of Evaluation Sciences, who spoke at the 2016 APS Convention on ways that psychological scientists can get involved in day-to-day governance.

The Lab @ DC is hiring for six types of positions:

- Social Scientist
- Senior Social Scientist
- Data Scientist
- Senior Data Scientist
- Operations Analyst
- Senior Operations Analyst

“The initial application is quick: just drop your resume and complete an HR questionnaire. We’ll then follow up with more details. If you have questions, you can also reach out to the lab at thelab@dc.gov,” David says.

The Lab @ DC will be researching important topics related to city governance that are connected to government policies and programs; many of these projects will aim to apply principles of psychological science and other behavioral sciences to improving government functioning. One project The Lab is undertaking now, for instance, is a large randomized controlled trial of a police body-worn camera program.