The Arnold School of Public Health at the University of South Carolina is currently seeking PhD level applicants who are interested in pursuing a research-focused doctoral degree on the topic of childhood obesity. Candidates with a focus on children, overweight or obesity, and one or more of the following obesogenic behaviors that include sleep, physical activity, diet, screen time or sedentary behavior are invited to apply. PhD students will be integrally involved in the studies conducted by the Arnold Childhood Obesity Initiative research group and the recently National Institutes of Health funded Research Center for Child Wellbeing. These include measurement, observational, and intervention studies that are designed to understand the etiology, prevention, and treatment of childhood obesity and its associated behaviors. Candidates will have the opportunity to be part of a vibrant team of faculty, staff, and students located within the Arnold School of Public Health.

Individuals will develop the following skills as part of their doctoral degree program:

- Proficiency in basic and complex statistical modeling
- Process evaluation/implementation science
- Written and verbal communication skills
- Designing and implementing community-based interventions
- State-of-the-art behavioral assessments (physical activity, sedentary, screen time, sleep, diet)
- Grant writing
- Ability to work effectively both independently and with a team

To apply, please send a statement of interest and CV to:

Dr. R. Glenn Weaver  
Email: weaverrg@mailbox.sc.edu  
Phone: 803-777-5605

Dr. Bridget Armstrong  
Email: BA12@mailbox.sc.edu  
Phone: (803) 576-8418