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**TO:** Boston University Faculty

**FROM:** Jean Morrison, University Provost and Chief Academic Officer  
Gail Steketee, Dean of the School of Social Work

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**SUBJECT:** Announcement of the Search Committee for the Director of the Center for Innovation in Social Work and Health (CISWH)

Boston University is committed to leading in the development of innovative and effective approaches to some of the great societal and health challenges we face. We are thus launching a new interdisciplinary center – the Center for Innovation in Social Work and Health (CISWH) – whose mission is to expand the impact of social work and social workers in health care delivery, and in the realms of public health and global health issues, in order to reduce the costs of health care, improve outcomes, and promote population health. Overseen by the School of Social Work, the Center will function at the nexus of inter-professional and trans-disciplinary collaboration with public health, medicine, health economics, engineering, and other relevant disciplines. The Center will achieve its mission through outcomes-oriented research, community partnerships, policy development, and education and training activities.

We are delighted to announce the search for the inaugural Director of the Center. The Director is expected to be a distinguished scholar and exceptional leader with a demonstrable record of creative and effective interdisciplinary program development and leadership. The Director will hold an endowed professor position at Boston University within the School of Social Work.

We are pleased to announce the membership for the Search Advisory Committee for the Director of the Center for Innovation in Social Work and Health:

- Gail Steketee, Dean and Professor, School of Social Work (Chair)
- Lena Lundgren, Professor and Associate Dean for Research, School of Social Work (Vice-Chair)
- Sally Bachman, Associate Professor, School of Social Work; Research Associate Professor, School of Public Health

- Richard Saitz, MD, Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology, Boston University Schools of Medicine and Public Health, Chair, Department of Community Health Services
- Joseph Restuccia, DrPh, MPH, Professor of Health Care and Operations Management, School of Management
- Brian Jack, MD, Professor and Chair, Department of Family Medicine, School of Medicine
- Linda Sprague-Martinez, Assistant Professor of Macro Practice, School of Social Work

The CISWH Director Search Committee will begin its work immediately. The committee is charged with seeking out exceptional candidates, soliciting nominations from leaders in the field, consulting with relevant stakeholders within the University and evaluating the qualifications and strengths of nominees and applicants. We ask the Committee to recommend 3-5 highly qualified candidates with the record of accomplishment and stature appropriate for appointment as an endowed full professor. We look forward to receiving the Committee's recommendations by Monday, December 1, 2014, for final selection by Dean Steketee and approval by University Provost Morrison.

We thank, in advance, the members of the Search Committee for their service, and give special acknowledgement to Professor Lena Lundgren who has agreed to serve as Vice-Chair.

Cc: Academic Deans  
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