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TGC and Miller's Pediatric Postdoctoral Fellowship

The fellowship is a collaboration between The Guidance Center (TGC) and Miller Children's Hospital. The full-time, one-year fellowship in pediatric psychology provides a particular focus on 1) consultation/liaison with the Pediatric medical team (pediatric ward and pediatric ICU), chaplains, and social work team and 2) mental health assessment and supportive treatment to patients and families who are in medical crises. In addition, the fellow is expected to attend to the emotional, cognitive, and developmental needs of co-morbidly diagnosed children and adolescents who are seen in the TGC outpatient clinic or where necessary to overcome treatment barriers for vulnerable families. Cases seen in the outpatient clinic are referred directly via hospital discharges. Advanced training is provided in the understanding of major pediatric illnesses and required medical regimens.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Participates in inpatient pediatric ward interdisciplinary rounds and provides mental health consultation as necessary (1/2 hour daily for each of two wards)
- Participates in care/family conferences as appropriate (variable; approximately 1 hour per day)
- Provides consultation to multidisciplinary teams serving inpatients
- Assesses harm to self or others and provide behavioral de-escalation of patients, family members, and/or staff as necessary
- Provides appropriate disposition and case management for psychiatrically impaired children after they have been medically stabilized in collaboration with other staff
- Evaluates and provides brief, problem-focused treatment of childhood psychological disorders (i.e., adjustment disorder, depression, anxiety) and medical treatment adherence as identified while the patient is hospitalized
- Provides direct clinical, psychosocial, and/or rehabilitative mental health services to Center clients, including but not limited to psychodiagnostic assessment, individual, collateral, group, and family therapy, crisis intervention, in-home, community services, and/or services at locations away from the Center. Coordination of services and case management, discharge planning, and case consultation are also required.
- Provide neuropsychological and psychological assessment to clients in the clinic for diagnostic clarification and treatment planning.
- Providing didactic training experiences in therapy or assessment to doctoral practicum trainees
- Serves as primary therapist of mental health services for assigned cases.
- Co-leads group supervision to doctoral interns in APA accredited internship program
- Maintains and completes all clinical and administrative record keeping associated with delivery of services.

- Interacts with the community at large and with specific allied agencies, other programs, and funding sources in a manner that facilitates and enhances the operation of the Center. In doing so, must understand the mission of the program and the Center.
- Participates in monthly interdisciplinary case review meetings
- Attends weekly Intensive Services team meetings
- Participates in grand rounds and interdisciplinary training through Miller Children's and Women's Hospital and Long Beach Memorial Care Family Medicine Department
- Provides a specific amount of direct services with regard to prevailing workload standards.

Training objectives:

- Obtain advanced competence in rapid psychological assessment and treatment recommendations for a wide variety of medically hospitalized children
- Develop and maintain effective collaborative professional relationships with interdisciplinary staff
- Develop leadership skills through participation in consultation, rounds, training
- Obtain advanced competence in providing brief, problem-focused psychotherapy to selected inpatient pediatric patients and their families

Supervision:

Supervision is provided by two licensed clinical psychologists at The Guidance Center and additional supervision may be provided by a licensed mental health professional (LCSW or LMFT) at The Guidance Center or Miller Children's Hospital.

Requirements:

- Therapy and diagnostic experience with pediatric populations and work in medical settings
- Experience with consultation and liaison and/or interdisciplinary consultation in a medical setting
- Experience providing training or teaching to non-psychology professionals
- Experience with brief treatment modalities
- Doctoral degree (Ph.D. or Psy.D) from an APA-accredited institution AND completion of an APA-accredited doctoral internship program with children and families. Applicants who do not meet both of these requirements will not be considered.
- Bilingual Spanish strongly preferred

Please note: Due to agency insurance policies and DMV requirements, and because fellows may travel between TGC and the hospital, the candidate must obtain a valid California driver's license prior to the start of the fellowship training year. Further, to ensure that safe driving is a priority, interns must maintain the following: a valid driver's license that is neither suspended nor expired; have no more than 3 minor driving violations and/or accidents combined within the last 3 years; no major driving violations within the last 5 years. Fellows must also have sufficient vehicle insurance coverage and pass a background/fingerprinting check with DOJ and FBI. In addition, fellows must also pass the hospital required drug screening.

General weekly schedule (subject to change based on agency need)

Activity	Hours per week
Intake assessment, therapy, consultation, inpatient and in the field	28 hours
Total Clinical Activities	Approximately 28 hours per week
Individual clinical supervision	2 hours
Group clinical supervision	2 hours
Total Supervision	Approximately 4.0 hours per week
Didactics, Grand Rounds, Family Medicine Lectures	2 hours
Team Meetings	1 hour
Monthly Case Consultation Meetings	½ hour (2 hrs/month)
Documentation, Travel, Other	3.5 hours
Supervision to Doctoral Interns	2 hours
Provision of Didactic Seminar to Practicum Students	2 hours (includes preparation time)
Total Other	12.0 hours
Total time per week	40 hours

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Supervision is provided by two licensed clinical psychologists at The Guidance Center in compliance with the California Board of Psychology Regulations. Group supervision may be provided by a licensed mental health professional (LCSW, LMFT).

Stipend and other benefits:

Fellows are considered exempt employees and are provided all the benefits of that status

Annual stipend/salary for full-time fellows	\$49,000 Fellows who are fluently bilingual in Spanish and English (and pass a verbal test) will receive an additional \$4,500 annual stipend. *Salaries are not finalized until adoption of that year's budget	Paid on the 7 th and 22 nd of every month
Program provides access to medical insurance for fellow	Yes, fellow is fully covered for medical, dental, and vision if the HMO plan is chosen.	The first day of the month following 30 days of employment.
Trainee contribution to cost required?	No, not for HMO plan. Fellow has the option to purchase a PPO plan for additional out of pocket cost.	
Coverage of family member(s) available?	Yes, at cost to fellow.	

Coverage of legally married partner available?	Yes, at cost to fellow.	
Coverage of domestic partner available?	Yes, at cost to fellow.	
Hours of Annual Paid Personal Time Off (PTO and/or Vacation)	120 hours per year	Accrued per pay period
Hours of Annual Paid Sick Leave	64 hours per year	Accrued per pay period
Other Benefits	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 40 hours per year for pre-approved continuing education 2. \$150 towards continuing education workshop reimbursement 3. Work related mileage reimbursement (\$0.53.5/mile) 4. Fellow contribution to 403b retirement plan 5. Employee Assistance Program 6. Employee Discounts through Fun Express 7. Work space 8. Personal laptops 9. One-way mirror therapy rooms 10. \$75 towards therapy supplies 11. Secretarial and record-keeping support 12. Internet access 13. Mobile phone for agency calls 	

Start Date:

Early to mid-September (negotiable)

Application Procedures:

Please submit:

- 1) a 1-2 page letter outlining a) career development aims and b) prior training experiences that are commensurate with the postdoctoral fellowship objectives, roles and responsibilities
- 2) An updated CV
- 3) Three letters of recommendation. One letter must be from an internship supervisor and at least two must be from supervisors who know your direct clinical work. Letters should be emailed to Dr. Vo-Jutabha directly from the reference.
- 4) A written letter or email from your DCT or chair that your dissertation has been completed or will be completed by August 2019. Letter should be emailed to Dr. Vo-Jutabha.
- 5) Verification of attendance at an APA-accredited internship and that you will or have successfully completed the internship.

All documents should be sent to Dawn Vo-Jutabha via email at djutabha@tgclb.org.

DEADLINE: Application materials due January 4, 2019 with interviews to occur in late January to early February.

We will follow the APPIC Postdoctoral Selection Guidelines (<http://appic.org/About-APPIC/Postdoctoral/APPIC-Postdoctoral-Selection-Guidelines>). Notification will occur on February 25, 2018. The APPA CAS is NOT required.