

Trainee Admissions, Support and Outcome Data

Postdoctoral Program Admissions

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Briefly describe in narrative form important information to assist potential applicants in assessing their likely fit with your program. This description must be consistent with the program's policies on intern selection and practicum and academic preparation requirements:

The overarching goals in the NCPTSD D&T program are for fellows to develop the full range of skills required for independent functioning as a psychologist; and the skills required to function effectively as a psychologist in a high priority area of health care for veterans (e.g. PTSD). Fellows devote the majority of their time to patient-oriented research and education activities and 25% to direct patient clinical care. The overarching goals in the NCPTSD D&T program are for fellows to develop the full range of skills required for independent functioning as a psychologist; and the skills required to function effectively as a psychologist in a high priority area of health care for veterans (e.g. PTSD). Potential research areas include PTSD treatment effectiveness trials, innovations in treatment applications, health services research on access and quality of PTSD care, telemental health trials testing video, internet, or smart phone-based interventions, and implementation science studies on mechanisms for expanding adoption of best care practices. Content areas of special focus include sleep, substance abuse, mental health service delivery in primary care, military sexual trauma (MST), and disaster response. Clinical training includes intensive experience working with both female and male veterans and in individual and group modality. Training options include participation in residential, substance abuse and outpatient environments. Fellows are exposed to a variety of evidence-based therapies including Prolonged Exposure (PE), Cognitive Processing Therapy (CPT), Skills Training in Affective and Interpersonal Regulation (STAIR), and Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT).

Applicants must submit the following documents:

1. Personal Statement (max 2 pages) of professional goals and interests that describe applicant's education, clinical and research experience, area of clinical & research goals and its alignment with the NCPTSD emphasis area and mission, and applicant's expected goals and objective of the fellowship.
2. CV
3. Work samples that highlight work relevant to PTSD emphasis area
4. Three letters of recommendation

To be considered for the postdoctoral fellowship in the NCPTSD VA Advanced Fellowship in Mental Illness Research and Treatment psychologist applicants must have obtained a doctorate from an APA accredited program in clinical or counseling psychology and have completed an APA accredited internship in clinical or counseling psychology. Social Work or Nursing applicants must have a doctorate from an accredited program and have appropriate clinical training. In addition, applicant must be a U.S. citizen.

Describe any other required minimum criteria used to screen applicants:

N/A

Financial and Other Benefit Support for Upcoming Training Year*		
Annual Stipend/Salary for Full-time Residents	\$53,406	
Annual Stipend/Salary for Half-time Residents	N/A	
Program provides access to medical insurance for intern?	YES	NO
If access to medical insurance is provided:		
Trainee contribution to cost required?	YES	NO
Coverage of family member(s) available?	YES	NO
Coverage of legally married partner available?	YES	NO
Coverage of domestic partner available?	YES	NO
Hours of Annual Paid Personal Time Off (PTO and/or Vacation)	240 hours	
Hours of Annual Paid Sick Leave	104 hours	
In the event of medical conditions and/or family needs that require extended leave, does the program allow reasonable unpaid leave to interns/residents in excess of personal time off and sick leave?	YES	NO
Other Benefits (please describe):N/A		
*Note. Programs are not required by the Commission on Accreditation to provide all benefits listed in this table		

Initial Post-Residency Positions	2013-2016	
Total # of residents who were in the 3 cohorts	3	
Total # of residents who remain in training in the residency program		
	PD	EP
Community mental health center		
Federally qualified health center		
Independent primary care facility/clinic		
University counseling center		
Veterans Affairs medical center		1
Military health center		
Academic health center		1
Other medical center or hospital		
Psychiatric hospital		
Academic university/department		1
Community college or other teaching setting		
Independent research institution		
Correctional facility		
School district/system		
Independent practice setting		
Not currently employed		
Changed to another field		
Other		
Unknown		
Note: "PD" = Post-doctoral residency position; "EP" = Employed Position. Each individual represented in this table should be counted only one time. For former trainees working in more than one setting, select the setting that represents their primary position.		