

PEDIATRIC ANXIETY RESEARCH CENTER

Bradley Hospital
Alpert Medical School of Brown University
Clinical Research Assistant

Note: We are actively trying to increase the diversity and representativeness of the Pediatric Anxiety Research Center and the people it serves. Applicants from **diverse backgrounds** and/or who **speak Spanish** are strongly encouraged to apply.

INTRODUCTION TO THE PEDIATRIC ANXIETY RESEARCH CENTER

The Pediatric Anxiety Research Center (PARC; located in Bradley Hospital in East Providence, RI and affiliated with the Brown Medical School) is an integrated research and clinical program nationally recognized in pediatric OCD and anxiety. PARC encompasses research projects, outpatient services, and an Intensive Treatment Program for OCD. PARC has continually received research funding since 1999 for treatment outcome, dissemination, implementation, and comparative effectiveness research. Current PARC research focuses on developing and evaluating innovative treatment models for youth with OCD and anxiety; improving quality assessment in exposure therapy for OCD and anxiety; training providers in the community to deliver evidence-based treatment for OCD and anxiety; understanding how sleep relates to exposure therapy outcomes; testing Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) for adolescents with OCD; and training parents to support exposure practice as part of exposure therapy.

OPEN POSITIONS

PARC is looking for a full-time clinical research assistant to support research activities for multiple ongoing research projects. Commitment to at least two years in a position is preferred. The Improving Access to Child Anxiety Treatment (IMPACT) study is focused on increasing treatment options for youth with anxiety and OCD funded by the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI). The Brief Assessment of Effective Exposure (BRAVE) and Strategies for Training the In-home Delivery of Exposure (STRIVE) studies are focused on supporting community therapist delivery of exposure therapy in community mental health clinics and in the home and are funded by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). Two additional projects funded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) focus on understanding the relationship between sleep and exposure learning, and on the application of TMS for teens with OCD. The INSPIRE project focuses on testing parent training to support exposure therapy and is funded by the International OCD Foundation (IOCDF).

RESEARCH DUTIES

Research duties may include consenting patients and families, scheduling participants, data entry and analysis, collaboration with community partners and stakeholders, preparing submissions to the Institutional Review Board (IRB), drafting study progress reports for funders, and behavioral coding of exposure treatment sessions. Participation in multidisciplinary discussions regarding research design and implementation is expected.

CLINICAL DUTIES

Clinical responsibilities will include: screening research participants, administering rating scales, and administering diagnostic interviews to study participants.

OTHER

Mentorship from psychologists/psychiatrists and opportunities to participate and assist with academic tasks (e.g. poster presentations, writing scientific articles for publication, and grant submissions) are provided. A strong academic record is important and past research experience is desirable. Occasional travel to clinic or research sites in Rhode Island and Massachusetts may be necessary

QUALIFICATIONS

- Baccalaureate Degree in a Human Service field preferably in psychology, human biology, neuroscience, or related fields.
- A career interest in clinical psychology or related field.
- Excellent computer and communication (verbal and written) skills.
- Past research project experience (preferred)
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills.
- The ability to work well with children and parents.
- A willingness to tackle complex tasks in an independent manner.
- Proficiency in the use of Microsoft applications.
- A strong sense of responsibility towards work.
- Demonstrated knowledge and skills necessary to provide care to patients throughout the lifespan with consideration of human development stages and cultural patterns.

*** This position requires relocation/ ability to commute to Bradley Hospital in East Providence, RI. The position starts in early 2022.**

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume/CV, and two written recommendations (sent directly by your recommenders) to **Kate Sheehan** at parc.impact@gmail.com no later than **December 15, 2021**. We will review applications as they are received and contact applicants to extend interview invitations. Please address application materials (i.e., cover letter, resume/CV, and two letters of recommendation) to **Kristen Benito, PhD**. All application materials should be sent by **December 15, 2021** to Kate Sheehan (parc.impact@gmail.com) who is collecting applications on behalf of Dr. Benito.

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