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Child and Adolescent Neuropsychology Postdoctoral Fellowship
Rush NeuroBehavioral Center
Skokie, IL

Rush NeuroBehavioral Center (RNBC) in Skokie, IL as part of Rush University Medical Center (RUMC) is offering full-time advanced training in psychological/neuropsychological assessment for one postdoctoral trainee. This is a 24-month fellowship from mid-August 2024 through mid-August 2026, with a stipend and hospital benefits.

The RNBC fellowship involves comprehensive assessment of children, adolescents, and young adults with developmental, attention, learning, autism spectrum, behavioral and/or psychiatric disorders. There are also opportunities to work with a medically diverse population which includes neuropsychological assessments of patients with mild traumatic brain injury, epilepsy, hydrocephalus, chromosomal disorders, extreme prematurity, and other neurological sequelae. The assessment battery is individualized to each client to explore his/her strengths and weaknesses. The evaluation battery typically includes assessment related to intellectual functioning, academic achievement, various aspects of attention, memory, executive functioning, receptive and expressive language, and emotional and behavioral functioning. Fellows also obtain training in how to interface and collaborate with school systems, including conducting school observations and attending IEP meetings.

RNBC has a large training program for diagnostic and advanced practicum students who have an interest in neuropsychological assessment. The fellows will help supervisors with teaching these students standardized administration, scoring of assessments, interpretation of data, and integration of findings. The fellows will also aid in score checking student files and providing first round report edits to 4-5 students per month. In accordance with the Houston Conference Guidelines, there are opportunities for weekly didactic seminars, grand rounds at RUMC, monthly journal club meetings, bi-monthly fact-finding exercises, and staff meetings that the fellow is encouraged to attend. There is also the option of testing as part of a multi-disciplinary team, which includes working with our speech and language pathologist.

Basic Responsibilities:

- Complete 5-6 comprehensive assessment batteries per month
- Help to score check student files and provide feedback to students
- Provide first round edits on reports to 4-5 students per month
- Provide supplemental supervision and training to doctoral extern students
- Participate in school IEP and 504 plan meetings with primary supervisor when appropriate
- Conduct school observations when needed
- Attend weekly didactic seminars that cover a variety of topics in assessment and neuropsychological issues.
- Present on a didactic topic once per quarter and help run weekly group supervision of practicum students
- Attend bi-weekly clinic meetings
- Opportunities to attend weekly grand rounds and monthly research journal club meetings remotely through RUMC
- Participate in bi-monthly fact-finding exercises as preparation for pursuing board certification
- Receive weekly individual supervision with your primary supervisor
- Help maintain testing closet organization and ordering of assessments
- Research involvement is expected through collaboration with our research department at RNBC (a variety of projects to become involved with) and protected time is allotted each week towards these endeavors. Fellows are supported in presenting an abstract/poster presentation at a local or national conference their first year and contributing to a publication of at least one journal article during their second year of fellowship.
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Rush University System for Health (RUSH) is an academic health system whose mission is to improve the health of the individuals and the diverse communities it serves through the integration of outstanding patient care, education, research and community partnerships. RUSH comprises Rush University Medical Center, Rush University, Rush Copley Medical Center and Rush Oak Park Hospital, as well as numerous outpatient care facilities. Rush University, with more than 2,500 students, is a health sciences university that comprises Rush Medical College, the College of Nursing, the College of Health Sciences and the Graduate College. Numerous national organizations have recognized Rush for the quality of care we provide, including U.S. News & World Report, which ranked Rush University Medical Center among the top 50 hospitals in five specialties in its 2019-2020 Best Hospitals issue. Rush University Medical Center has received Vizient’s Quality Leadership Award, ranking first among 99 academic medical centers across the country. In 2019, Rush was designated a leader in LGBTQ health care equality by the Human Rights Campaign for the 10th consecutive year, and it was one of only five hospitals from across the nation to be recognized by the American Hospital Association as an honoree for its annual Equity of Care Award.

Prior neuropsychological testing and clinical experience with children and families is required, and candidates must possess excellent clinical and written communication skills. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, CV, three letters of reference, an unofficial transcript, and one sample de-identified neuropsychological report by December 1, 2023 to:

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