

**Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunities  
for Ph.D. Clinician Scientists  
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences  
UTHealth McGovern Medical School, Houston, TX**

The Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, UTHealth Medical School in Houston, is recruiting outstanding Ph.D. clinician scientists for Postdoctoral Fellowship opportunities. We seek well-trained, motivated individuals with excellent communication and interpersonal skills, demonstrated proficiency in scientific writing, interest in and experience with providing evidence based behavioral interventions, and the desire to learn the necessary skills to transition into independent faculty positions. The training period involves two years starting in September or October 2019. A key focus for the training period will involve engagement in clinical services, including delivery of evidence based interventions for the treatment of substance use disorders to clients in the Innovations Clinic, our outpatient medication-assisted treatment (MAT) clinic. The fellow will have the opportunity to gain specialty training in various psychotherapies, including Acceptance and Commitment Therapy and Seeking Safety. Additionally, the position provides protected research time (50%) for development of successful grant planning and writing skills pursuant to applications to NIH, NSF and private foundations.

NIH and SAMHSA-funded investigators in the department will serve as mentors. Current work focuses on treatment outcomes, clinical trials (Dr. Joy Schmitz), human behavioral processes, neuroimaging and psychopharmacology (Dr. Scott Lane), behavioral interventions and health disparities (Dr. Angela Heads), Bayesian statistics, data science, novel adaptive trial designs (Dr. Charles Green). Training and/or interest in any of these areas is welcomed, but we strongly emphasize team science and thus preference will be given to individuals seeking training across these domains. The department has strengths in clinical service delivery and clinical research, particularly in the fields of substance use disorders and mood disorders. Our clinical research programs are housed at the state-of-the-art Behavioral and Biomedical Sciences Building (BBSB).

UTHealth is an integral part of the Texas Medical Center (TMC), the largest medical center in the world, with a vibrant academic community and a plethora of outstanding collaborative and translational opportunities in the health sciences. Houston is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest US metropolitan area featuring continued growth and economic prosperity, vibrant opportunities, and a highly competitive cost of living relative to other culturally diverse metropolitan areas. Applicants must have completed a doctoral degree in clinical or counseling psychology from an APA accredited graduate program including successful completion of internship. Preference will be given to those with training or experience in programs with active NIH grant portfolios. Competitive salaries and benefits are available. To find out more information about these unique academically-driven positions or to apply, please forward a CV and letter of interest to **Joy M. Schmitz, Ph.D., Professor and Director of the Center for Neurobehavioral Research on Addiction (CNRA)**, e-mail: [Joy.M.Schmitz@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Joy.M.Schmitz@uth.tmc.edu), phone: 713-486-2867, or **Angela M. Heads, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, CNRA**, e-mail: [Angela.M.Heads@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Angela.M.Heads@uth.tmc.edu), phone: 713-486-2830. The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston is an EO/AA employer. M/F/D/V.