

Child Clinical Psychologist Position

The Massachusetts General Hospital Department of Psychiatry invites child psychologist applicants at the Instructor or Assistant Professor level for a full-time position in the Acute Psychiatry Service (APS) and the Short-Term Care Clinic within the Child and Adolescent Outpatient Psychiatry Service, to begin in July 2023, pending credentialing and insurance empanelment.

The position combines 0.8FTE in the APS and 0.2FTE in the Short-Term Care Clinic. The APS Child Psychiatry team consults on Emergency Department patients in acute psychiatric crisis. The psychologist would perform brief crisis interventions with individual child and adolescent patients and their families, focusing on the development of concrete tools, behavioral skills and safety planning. All patients would also be seen contemporaneously with the other members of the APS child psychiatry team, comprised of one attending and one fellow, who would focus on psychopharmacology and disposition planning. Treatment would be most effectively provided in person.

The Short-Term Care Clinic provides rapid and short-term pharmacotherapy and individual therapy for patients recently discharged from the APS or the inpatient Child Psychiatry consult-liaison service. The psychologist would provide in-person or virtual brief psychological interventions focused on fostering behavioral skills for affective and behavioral regulation and crisis planning with families. All treatment would be short-term and patients would transition to longer-term providers as soon as possible, with the transition facilitated by resource coordinators.

Hours are extremely flexible and patients can be seen at a time convenient for the clinician. Salary would be consistent with standard Department embedded rates. The ideal candidate would have a strong background in Dialectical Behavioral Therapy and/or Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, and a desire to work with both children and families. Participation in the Child Psychiatry Dialectical Behavioral Therapy team would be strongly encouraged. Supervision is provided.

Applicants should have a Ph.D. or Psy.D. in clinical or counseling psychology from an APA/CPA accredited program and must have completed an APA accredited child internship. Additionally, applicants must have expertise in treating children and adolescents using Evidence-based treatment approaches. Applicants should be licensed or licensed-eligible in Massachusetts.

Please email a cover letter, CV and names and contacts for three references to: Diana Harrington, practice manager, Child and Adolescent Outpatient Service at djharrington@mgh.harvard.edu. Please contact Abigail Donovan M.D., Associate Director, Acute Psychiatry Service at aldonovan@partners.org with questions related to the position.

We are an equal opportunity employer and women, and minorities are highly encouraged to apply. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, ethnicity, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy and pregnancy-related conditions, or any other characteristic protected by law.