Children’s Hospital Colorado offers a psychology externship training program in Pediatric Psychology with consultation in Pediatric Urology and Kidney Transplant. The training program is committed to the recruitment of culturally and ethnically diverse externs. We encourage inquiries and applications from all qualified individuals, please see requirements below.

Number of Slots: 1

Time Commitment: 16 hours per week
- Required
  - Wednesdays and Fridays

Dates: June 24, 2019 - June 19, 2020
Please note: MANDATORY ORIENTATION is held during the first two weeks of the externship. Block your schedule accordingly, making arrangements with your academic program and personal calendar.

Requirements:
- Be enrolled in at least the 4th year of an APA accredited Doctoral Program in Clinical, Counseling, Health, or School Psychology
- Have completed at least one year of a CHCO externship or have previous experiences in a medical setting
- Have experience with child and/or adolescent assessment and treatment
- Have proof of malpractice coverage: must be provided by the extern’s training institution or by the extern prior to the start date
- Be available to start the externship on June 24, 2019 and the following two weeks for MANDATORY ORIENTATION
- Have completed the attestation form with signature

**Those applicants selected for externship will be subject to drug screening and criminal background checks. Unacceptable results on the criminal background check or drug screening may result in dismissal from the program.**

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

A completed application consists of the following materials:
1. Cover Letter
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. 2 letters of recommendation
4. Attestation of Professional Conduct

Emailed by **February 4, 2019 at 5pm** to the following:
1. Cindy Buchanan, PhD, Associate Director of Training, Psychology
   Email: Cindy.Buchanan@childrenscolorado.org
2. Elizabeth Steinberg, PhD, Clinical Director of Solid Organ Transplant Psychology
   Email: Elizabeth.Steinberg@childrenscolorado.org
3. Dianna Torgerson, Operations Coordinator, Psychology Training Program
   Email: Dianna.Torgerson@childrenscolorado.org
Recruitment Timeline

- February 4, 2019, 5pm: Application deadline
- February 11 - 27th, 2019: Interviews scheduled
- March 4 - 8th, 2019: Positions offered, prompt confirmation of acceptance/declination requested

Supervision

The goal of supervision is to support the extern during exposure to new patient populations, assessment tools and intervention strategies, and to build feelings of competence and functional autonomy in areas of strength. Additional supervision and consultation will be provided as needed.

DUTIES OF PSYCHOLOGY TRAINEES

Psychology externs provide direct clinical care to children, adolescents, and families under the supervision of a licensed psychologist. Responsibilities include providing consultation in pediatric urology and pediatric transplant outpatient clinics, co-facilitating support groups for parents and children with complex urologic issues and kidney disease, short-term treatment with patients/families during dialysis treatment and hospitalization after surgery, and development of psychological resources/materials for patients and families. There are also opportunities for spearheading quality improvement projects based on the interest of the extern.

Externship Components

Externs are exposed to a variety of treatment approaches, interventions, and modalities through instruction and observation to augment their previous clinical experiences. These training experiences are organized to provide direct clinical, assessment, and consultation experiences in pediatric psychology.

1. Familiarization with health and behavior assessments and interventions
2. Consultation to the pediatric urology and kidney transplant teams
3. Communication of data and recommendations for continued care or treatment of patients in pediatric urology and transplant
4. Co-facilitation of support groups for parents and children with complex urologic issues and kidney disease
5. Didactics: lectures and exposure to issues relevant to clinical and pediatric psychology

Services provided

This externship placement provides students with the opportunity to work in a regionally and nationally prominent pediatric health care facility affiliated with the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, the Division of Child Psychiatry, the Division of Pediatric Urology, and the Division of Pediatric Nephrology.

Type of clients served on this externship

Children and adolescents, ages 0-21, and their families served in Children’s Hospital Colorado. Patients are representative of Colorado and surrounding states in terms of race and ethnicity.

General Information:

Supervised by: Cindy Buchanan, Ph.D. & Elizabeth Steinberg, Ph.D.
Theoretical Orientation: Behavioral; Cognitive-Behavioral; Family Systems
Supervision format: _x_ Individual _x_ Small Group
Ratio of hours (supervision to clinical hours): 1:4
Number of psychology trainees on site: 1 postdoctoral fellow, 1 psychology intern, 1 field placement extern
Number of hours/week externs work for this rotation: 16
Pay: None at this time