Job Description Summary

Dr. Stephanie Gorka is seeking a full-time clinical research assistant (RA) to provide support for several large-scale NIH-funded research studies. The studies are broadly focused on how brain and behavior relate to neuropsychiatric diseases and their treatments. The lab utilizes neuroimaging, psychophysiology (i.e., electroencephalography, electromyography), and behavioral and clinical methods. The responsibilities of the RA will include assisting with participant recruitment and enrollment, brain and behavior data collection, study administration, and processing and preparing data for publication.

Essential Duties

60% Coordinate and perform daily clinical research activities including collecting fMRI, EEG, and startle eyeblink potentiation data from human subject volunteers.

10% Assist with development and implementation of plans to recruit and retain study participants; assist with interviewing, recruitment and enrollment of human subjects; explain processes and goals of clinical studies to participants and obtain informed consent.

10% Assist with diagnostic testing and administration of questionnaires; assist with scoring of standardized questionnaires and development of behavioral coding systems.

10% Assist with collection, entering and maintaining clinical research data into study database; prepare documentation and data for research progress reports to study sponsors.

10% Assists with preparation of manuscripts and articles for publications; assists with preparation of grant proposals to obtain funding in support of research studies; performs literature searches related to clinical study.

Minimum Education and Skills/Experience Required/Desired

Bachelor’s Degree in biological sciences, health sciences, psychology or medical field, or equivalent combination of education experience; experience in research capacity desired; computer skill required with knowledge of database software applications desired.