



## PEDIATRIC ANXIETY RESEARCH CENTER

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### Clinical Research Assistant Positions

**Note:** We are actively trying to increase the representativeness of the Pediatric Anxiety Research Center and the people it serves. Applicants from **diverse backgrounds** and/or who **speak Spanish** are strongly encouraged to apply.

#### **INTRODUCTION TO THE PEDIATRIC ANXIETY RESEARCH CENTER**

The Pediatric Anxiety Research Center (PARC; located in Bradley Hospital in East Providence, RI and affiliated with Brown Medical School) is an integrated research and clinical program internationally recognized in pediatric OCD and anxiety. PARC encompasses research projects, outpatient services, and an Intensive Treatment Program for OCD. PARC has continually received research funding since 1999 for treatment outcome, implementation, and comparative effectiveness research.

PARC is looking for five full-time clinical research assistants to support federally funded research studies. All positions are primarily in-person at Bradley Hospital in East Providence, RI. Commitment to at least two years in a position is preferred. Mentorship and opportunities to participate and assist with academic tasks (e.g. poster presentations, writing scientific articles for publication, and grant submissions) are provided. Duties common to all positions will include:

#### **RESEARCH DUTIES**

- Recruiting, scheduling, and consenting research participants
- Data entry, management and analysis
- Preparing submissions to the Institutional Review Board (IRB) and/or Federal Drug Administration (FDA)
- Drafting study progress reports for funders
- Participation in multidisciplinary discussions regarding research design and implementation

#### **CLINICAL DUTIES**

- Screening research participants
- Administering rating scales
- Administering diagnostic interviews to study participants

#### **OPEN POSITIONS**

- **NExT Study (1 position).** This multisite study is testing Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) as an augmentation strategy for Exposure with Response Prevention (ERP) for teens and young adults with OCD. The study will enroll approximately 120 youth over five years. This position will include a balance of research duties and clinical duties as described above. Additional duties will include behavioral coding of ERP therapy tapes and administration of fMRI and neurocognitive tasks. Ability to travel between local study sites is required.
- **IMPACT Rhode Island (2 positions).** This study tests in-person, remote, and flexible methods of delivering cognitive behavioral treatment (CBT) to youth with anxiety disorders and OCD. The study team is partnering with multiple community health settings throughout Rhode Island to expand high quality exposure-based treatment for youth who have been economically or socially marginalized and/or historically underrepresented in clinical science and underserved in clinical practice. The study will enroll 500 youth over five years. These two positions will primarily include research duties, with a smaller portion of time spent on clinical duties as described above. Additional duties will include participation in engagement meetings with various partners including patients and families, insurance payors, state health policymakers, providers, community health agency leadership, and community engagement leaders. Ability to travel between local study sites is required. Ability to speak Spanish is highly preferred.
- **IMPACT Rhode Island: Independent Evaluator (1 position).** This position will primarily include clinical duties, working as an independent clinical evaluator who is masked to treatment condition. A smaller portion of time will be spent on research duties as described above. Ability to travel between local study sites is required. Ability to speak Spanish is highly preferred.
- **Harmony and BRAVE University (1 position).** This position will support two studies. The Harmony study is combining data from 28 past clinical trials and applying a novel statistical approach to determine “what works, for whom” in pediatric OCD. BRAVE University is developing and testing an interactive, asynchronous training platform for therapists learning to deliver exposure therapy. This position will include primarily research duties, with



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### QUALIFICATIONS

- Baccalaureate Degree in a Human Service field preferably in psychology, human biology, neuroscience, or related fields.
- A career interest in clinical psychology or related field.
- Strong academic record.
- Past research project experience (preferred)
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills.
- The ability to work well with children and parents.
- Willingness to tackle complex tasks independently.
- Excellent communication (verbal and written) skills

### HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please send a cover letter including your specific interests in open positions, resume/CV, and two written recommendations (sent directly by your recommenders) to **Robin Scheer** at [parc.impact@gmail.com](mailto:parc.impact@gmail.com) no later than **February 28, 2025**. We will review applications as they are received and contact applicants to extend interview invitations. Please address application materials to **Kristen Benito, PhD**.

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