

## **Clinical Research Program Coordinator**

### **Johns Hopkins Precision Medicine Center of Excellence in Mood Disorders**

#### **Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine**

The Johns Hopkins Precision Medicine Center of Excellence in Mood Disorders is seeking a full-time Clinical Research Assistant to support a portfolio of clinical research studies focused on bipolar disorder, depression, and novel therapeutics. This position is ideally suited for a highly motivated post-baccalaureate candidate interested in clinical research, psychiatry, neuroscience, or medicine.

The Research Assistant will work closely with investigators and study staff on several ongoing projects, including the **BD<sup>2</sup> Bipolar Disorder longitudinal study**, a deep-phenotyping study involving neuroimaging, detailed clinical assessment, and neuropsychological characterization, as well as interventional studies such as a **PCORI-funded clinical trial of ketamine for acutely suicidal depression**. The position offers broad exposure to observational and interventional psychiatric research in an academically rigorous and collaborative environment.

Under the supervision of Dr. Fernando Goes and senior research staff, the Clinical Research Assistant will contribute to the day-to-day operations of complex studies involving participants with mood disorders. Responsibilities may include participant recruitment, screening, and scheduling; conducting and coordinating research visits; administering clinical, cognitive, and neuropsychological assessments; assisting with neuroimaging and other phenotyping procedures; maintaining study databases; supporting regulatory and IRB activities; monitoring study progress; and assisting with data cleaning, quality control, and study documentation. The Research Assistant will also interact regularly with clinical teams, research participants, and collaborating investigators across projects.

Depending on experience and interest, the position may provide opportunities for involvement in scientific presentations, manuscript preparation, literature reviews, and other scholarly activities. This is an excellent opportunity for individuals seeking further training before graduate school, medical school, clinical psychology programs, or other careers in clinical and translational neuroscience.

#### **Responsibilities may include, but are not limited to:**

- Recruiting, screening, consenting, and scheduling research participants
- Coordinating longitudinal study visits and maintaining participant follow-up
- Administering structured or semi-structured clinical assessments, symptom rating scales, and neuropsychological measures
- Assisting with neuroimaging and other deep-phenotyping procedures
- Supporting clinical trial operations, including protocol implementation and participant safety procedures
- Managing and quality-checking study data in REDCap and other databases

- Assisting with IRB submissions, regulatory documentation, and study tracking
- Preparing study materials, reports, and presentations
- Collaborating with investigators, coordinators, trainees, and clinical staff to ensure successful study execution

### **Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree in psychology, neuroscience, public health, biology, or a related field
- Prior experience with human subjects research preferred
- Strong organizational skills and careful attention to detail
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to work independently, manage multiple tasks, and function effectively as part of a team
- Interest in psychiatry, mood disorders, clinical neuroscience, or precision medicine
- Experience with REDCap and related research tools is helpful but not required
- Experience working with clinical populations or in healthcare settings is desirable

This is an outstanding opportunity to gain hands-on experience in longitudinal psychiatric research, deep phenotyping, neuroimaging, and clinical trials in mood disorders within a leading academic medical center.

### **Position details**

This is a full-time position. Initial appointment length and renewal terms can be tailored to the funding period and candidate availability, with preference for applicants able to make a two-year commitment. Please email Dr. Fernando Goes ([fgoes1@jhmi.edu](mailto:fgoes1@jhmi.edu)) with questions.

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