

# PEDIATRIC ANXIETY RESEARCH CENTER

Bradley Hospital

Alpert Medical School of Brown University

*Clinical Research Assistant/Mobile Exposure Coaches*

**Note:** We are actively trying to increase the diversity and 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 the Brown Medical School) is an integrated research and clinical program nationally 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, dissemination, implementation, and comparative effectiveness research. Current PARC research focuses on developing and evaluating innovative treatment models for youth with OCD and anxiety; improving quality assessment in exposure therapy for OCD and anxiety; training providers in the community to deliver evidence-based treatment for OCD and anxiety; testing Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) for adolescents with OCD; examining the relationship between sleep and treatment for anxiety and OCD; and training parents to support exposure practice as part of exposure therapy.

## OPEN POSITIONS

PARC is looking for a full-time clinical research assistant/mobile exposure coach for the Improving Access to Child Anxiety Treatment (IMPACT) study. The IMPACT study compares traditional office-based vs. home and community-based treatment for youth with anxiety and OCD. IMPACT is funded by the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI). This position includes a combination of research and clinical (assessment and/or treatment) components. Commitment to two years in a position is preferred. This is primarily an in-person position with some limited flexibility for working from home. The position requires relocation/ ability to commute to Bradley Hospital in East Providence, RI and starts in early June 2022.

## RESEARCH DUTIES

Research duties will include:

- Consenting patients and families
- Scheduling participants
- Data entry and analysis
- Collaboration with community partners and stakeholders
- Preparing submissions to the Institutional Review Board (IRB)
- Drafting study progress reports for funders
- Participation in multidisciplinary discussions regarding research design and implementation

## CLINICAL DUTIES

Clinical responsibilities will include:

- Screening research participants
- Administering rating scales
- Administering diagnostic interviews to study participants
- A primary clinical duty will be serving as mobile exposure coach, which entails providing patients (aged 5-18) weekly cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) in home and community settings, attending weekly supervision with licensed psychologists, aiding in the formulation of a therapeutic treatment plan, and clinical and research documentation of treatment sessions

## OTHER

Mentorship from psychologists/psychiatrists and opportunities to participate and assist with academic tasks (e.g. poster presentations, writing scientific articles for publication, and grant submissions) are provided. A strong academic record is important and past research experience is desirable. Frequent travel in Rhode Island and Massachusetts may be necessary.

## 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.
- Excellent computer and communication (verbal and written) skills.
- Past research project experience (preferred)
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills.
- The ability to work well with children and parents.
- A willingness to tackle complex tasks in an independent manner.
- Proficiency in the use of Microsoft applications.
- Demonstrated knowledge and skills necessary to provide care to patients throughout the lifespan with consideration of aging processes, human development stages and cultural patterns.

## HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume/CV, and two written recommendations (sent directly by your recommenders) to **Kate Sheehan** at [parc.impact@gmail.com](mailto:parc.impact@gmail.com) no later than **April 4th, 2022**. **Please specify in your cover letter that you are applying to work**

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**with Dr. Freeman on the IMPACT Study.** We will review applications as they are received and contact applicants to extend interview invitations. Please address application materials (i.e., cover letter, resume/CV, and two letters of recommendation) to **Jennifer Freeman, PhD.**

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