

# CASD

Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders



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## Seeking Applications for Research Coordinator Positions

Children's National Hospital leads autism research related to gender, executive function intervention and transition to adulthood. We are seeking applications from aspiring clinical researchers (and clinicians) who are committed to cutting-edge work using community-based, neurodiversity affirming, qualitative, and neuroimaging (EEG/ERP, fMRI) methods to improve quality of life for autistic people.

Our positions offer intensive research, clinical, and advocacy experience and publication opportunities for candidates interested in pursuing degrees in psychology or medicine. Responsibilities include managing and analyzing data, as well as administering psychological measurements. Opportunities to prepare grants and develop manuscripts are also provided. Our multidisciplinary faculty members, including Lauren Kenworthy, John Strang, Allison Ratto and Alan Gerber, work closely with research coordinators, providing supervision on individual projects and mentorship toward career goals.

A Bachelor's degree is required. A strong background in psychology, biology, and/or health sciences is preferred, as is prior experience with research, statistics, and neurodivergent youth. We encourage bilingual (Spanish-English) applicants. Hybrid schedule is available; however, a car is necessary to reach multiple work locations.

**Multiple positions are available. Applications are being accepted for immediate and summer 2025 start dates.**

**How to apply:** Click [here](#) to apply. Applications are due January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**Questions?** Email Alyssa Verbalis, PhD (she/her/hers) at [autism@childrensnational.org](mailto:autism@childrensnational.org)

### Examples of recent first author papers and posters by research coordinators in our lab (RC names in bold):

1. **Smith, J.V.**, McQuaid, G.A., Wallace, G.L., Neuhaus, E., **Lopez, A.**, Ratto, A.B., Jack, A.E., **Khuu, A.**, Webb, S.J., Verbalis, A., Pelphrey, K., Kenworthy, L., GENDAAR Consortium. (in press). Time is of the essence: Age at autism diagnosis, birth-sex and psychopathology. *Autism: the international journal of research and practice*.
2. **Smith J. V.**, Dahlman, T., Holmes, J., **Armour, A. C.**, Verbalis, A., Ratto, A., Hardy, K. K., Gunn, M., Elliott, T., Werner, M. A., Alexander, K. C., Cannon, L., Anthony, B. J., Kenworthy, L., Anthony, L. G. (2024). Supporting families in a pandemic: Executive function videos for caregivers of children with flexibility challenges. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*. doi.org/10.1007/s10826-023-02768-w [doi.org]
3. **Campos, L.**, Studts, C., Verbalis, A., Cronin, J., **Armour, A. C.**, Dahlman, T., Holmes, J., Panklang, E., **Smith, J.**, Whiteford, J., Gunn, M., Anthony, B., Gritz, M., Anthony, L., Kenworthy, L. (2023, August 3-5). Acceptability and challenges connected to EF intervention for elementary students with ASD/ADHD [Panel Presentation]. American Psychological Association Meeting, Washington, D.C.