

# **Clinical Research Assistant in the HEALthy Brain and Child Development Study at the Oregon Health & Sciences University**

## **Department Overview**

The OHSU Department of Psychiatry, part of the OHSU Brain Institute, focuses on providing excellent clinical treatment to our patients, leading innovative research, and offering hands-on training for the next generation of psychiatrists. Our specialists care for people of every culture and background and it is our mission to value and show appreciation for diversity, showing respect for all people who we treat, teach, and serve.

The HEALthy Brain and Child Development (HBCD) Study at OHSU is conducting studies with pregnant people and their children in the areas of neurodevelopment, behavior, learning, environmental factors, substance exposure, and cognitive functioning under the direction of Principle Investigators, Alice Graham, Ph.D. and Elinor Sullivan, Ph.D. We have an opening for an energetic and highly motivated full-time Clinical Research Assistant 2. Duties for this complex study will include recruitment of participants, coordination of visit scheduling, consenting participants, and running data collection visits with participants. Data collection will focus on behavioral assessments of infant and early childhood development, as well as electroencephalograms (EEG) with infants and young children. Other data collection visits may include biological sample collection, and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). Duties also include preparing and processing materials needed for each research visit, filing, copying, data processing and other general duties in support of the goals of the study. The candidate will also attend weekly laboratory staff meetings with the PIs and senior staff members.

Essential qualifications include multi-tasking, dependability, attention to detail, and ability to work in a fast-paced, timely manner. Skilled at oral, email, and written communication. Previous experience working with pregnant people, infants, or young children as well as experience conducting behavioral assessments and/or EEGs is desired. Intermediate computer experience with Word and Excel is preferred. Interest in mental health, health care, and addiction treatment desired. The candidate will be required to perform weekend and evening work to complete the study's goals.

**To apply, submit a cover letter, resume and/or CV and 3 references who can speak to your abilities.**

## **Function/Duties of Position**

- Data collection visits with participants, focusing on behavioral assessments and EEG with infants and young children. Data collection will also include MRI, biospecimen, questionnaires and interviews.

- Coordinate scheduling of study visits and recruitment of study participants.
- Preparing and processing materials needed for each research visit.
- Perform additional general duties as requested by principal investigators or supervisors in support of the goal of the study.

## **Required Qualifications**

- Bachelor's Degree with major courses in field of research, **OR**
- AA and 2 years of relevant experience, **OR**
- No degree and 4 years of relevant experience.
- Basic computer and office related skills.
- Strong communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Very strong organizational skills

## **Preferred Qualifications**

- Bachelor's Degree or major studies in Psychology or Biology or a related field.
- Previous experience working with infants and young children desired.
- Previous experience working in a research setting, and/or with EEG or behavioral assessments is preferred.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills preferred.
- Knowledge about infant and child development and/or human subjects research preferred.
- Ability to speak Spanish conversationally preferred.

## **All are welcome**

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