

RECRUITMENT FOR POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS FALL 2012-2013



Early Intervention Services • Early Childhood Mental Health Program
Division of Mental Health & Child Development

The Early Childhood Mental Health (ECMH) Program at Children's Hospital & Research Center Oakland, is currently recruiting for post-doctoral fellowship positions. This one year appointment starts in September, 2012 and ends August, 2013. Accepted applicants receive a salary and generous benefit package.

The ECMH Program is seeking qualified applicants from accredited Doctoral Clinical Psychology Programs, with a strong interest in infant and early childhood mental health assessment and treatment; some research opportunities may also be available. The program has a strong developmental focus combining the skills of mental health and developmental specialists to provide a comprehensive approach to address the social emotional well being of young children. A socio-cultural perspective and specialized training in working within diverse ethnic/cultural and linguistic communities is a core component of ECMH work.

The Early Childhood Mental Health Program includes:

- ◆ The Community Attachment Relationship Education (CARE) Program, a community-based infant and early childhood mental health treatment program primarily providing services in client's homes.
- ◆ The Families in Recovery Staying Together (F.I.R.S.T.) Program, a collaborative treatment strategy that provides infant and early childhood mental health services to young children and families with particular risk factors related to substance use and incarceration. Most of these services are offered in group settings.
- ◆ Therapeutic Guidance for Infants and Families (TGIF) Program which provides infant and early childhood mental health services for children in the Child Welfare System and their families using group and dyadic models.
- ◆ The Fussy Babies Program, a "baby team" of mental health and developmental specialists that provide strength based intervention services to babies with sleeping, eating and crying issues and assists their families with addressing these issues. This project is part of National Network spearheaded by the Erikson Institute in Chicago.
- ◆ Assessment Team providing mid level and comprehensive assessment for children 0-5 and their families. Assessment activities are a routine aspect of all clinical case formulation and treatment planning.

Training includes weekly didactic seminars and individual and group supervision. Areas of specialized training cover: working with traumatized infants and young children including those exposed to domestic, physical or community violence, parental mental health and substance abuse difficulties, and attachment/loss concerns. Trainees are assigned to a specific team and have an opportunity to work closely with experienced professionals specialized in infant and early childhood mental health treatment.

Requirements:

- ◆ A strong interest in, working with ethnically and linguistically diverse families many of whom are dealing with significant psychosocial stress.
- ◆ Must have a willingness to provide home visits throughout Alameda County.
- ◆ Must have a valid driver's license and access to a car.

We encourage applicants who are bilingual and/or who represent the diverse ethnic/cultural populations we serve, to apply.

To apply: Send a letter of interest, two (2) letters of recommendation and a curriculum vita listing academic work, clinical training and related employment to the attention of Marion Carter, Administrative Assistant, at the address noted below.

For program information, contact Mary Claire Heffron, PhD, at (510) 428-8426; mheffron@mail.cho.org

Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Monday, February 13, 2012