WEILL CORNELL MEDICINE NY PRESBYTERIAN –WESTCHESTER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEUROPSYCHOLOGY EXTERNSHIP

Length: July 2022 – June 2023
Time: 2 days per week or equivalent
Number of Positions: 2-3
Director of Externship: Beth B. Rabinovitz, Ph.D.
Director of Neuropsychology: Chaya Fridman, Ph.D., ABPP-CN

Weill Cornell/ Westchester Behavioral Health Department of Psychiatry offers externship training in neuropsychological assessment of children, adolescents, and adults primarily in an inpatient psychiatric setting with additional opportunities for outpatient neuropsychological assessment.

This is a lifespan setting and opportunities to complete evaluations across the lifespan in both in the inpatient and outpatient setting are available to all trainees. However, trainees can also identify an area of emphasis.

Evaluations include the administration and interpretation of cognitive, personality, and mood measures to inform diagnostic clarification and treatment planning. The patient population presents a wide variety of functional impairments due not only to their broad range of psychiatric difficulties, but also to comorbid conditions such as attention deficit disorder, learning disabilities, alcohol and polysubstance abuse, and neurological disorders such as seizure disorder, stroke, head trauma, or dementia.

Opportunities to complete neuropsychological assessment of children, adolescent, and adults in the outpatient setting will also be available and affords trainees the opportunity to learn about neurodevelopment and brain-behavior functioning in individuals across the lifespan. The patient population presents with a wide variety of functional impairments due to psychiatric, developmental, and/or neurologic conditions.

Supervision is provided by Dr. Rabinovitz in individual and group formats and “curbside” supervision is encouraged. Additional supervision is available with other neuropsychologists in our department, as well as with the neuropsychology fellows.

All trainees are welcome to attend the weekly Neuropsychology Didactics and are encouraged to attend weekly Neuropsychology Bed Rounds, Psychology Rounds, Psychiatry Grand Rounds, and other training opportunities available during the year. In addition to the assessment component of the rotation, there is opportunity to serve as a co-leader of inpatient and outpatient psychotherapy groups if the trainee chooses to do so and to participate in didactic opportunities associated with these groups (e.g., DBT didactics).

If you would like to speak with someone prior to submitting an application, please contact Dr. Beth Rabinovitz at bbr9001@med.cornell.edu

Applications will be accepted and interviews awarded in accordance with NYNJADOT regulations. Applications should include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, eligibility letter, and two letters of recommendation.

If letter writers prefer to submit their letters separately, please request that they include your name and track to which you are applying in the subject line and send letters to Beth Rabinovitz at bbr9001@med.cornell.edu.