Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Pediatric Sleep, Early Adversity and Child Welfare

The Sleep and Anxiety Center of Houston (SACH) at the University of Houston (UH) is accepting applications for a one to two-year postdoctoral fellowship position to begin in summer 2022. The fellow will primarily be responsible for coordinating an NIMH-funded effectiveness-implementation trial examining a trauma-informed, behavioral sleep intervention for school-aged children in foster care. Outcomes of interest include sleep health, emotional/behavioral regulation, and attachment/bonding. Previous training and/or experience in sleep medicine, adversity/trauma, and/or working with child welfare services is ideal but not required. The fellow will receive mentored clinical research training and supervision (from a licensed clinical psychologist) in evidence-based practices for assessing and treating both sleep and trauma-related conditions. Other responsibilities include interacting with local foster care agencies and foster families, report writing, manuscript/grant writing, data management, statistical analysis, and supervising graduate students and research assistants. There are a range of additional opportunities within SACH and the Department of Psychology at UH for conducting clinical research, receiving advanced training, and collaborating with a wide range of scientists. Candidates should have exceptional organizational, communication, writing and leadership skills. Applicants must have a Ph.D. or Ed.D. from an accredited doctoral program in clinical psychology, applied developmental psychology, educational psychology or related field (e.g., social work) and relevant research experience and training working with children/families. The salary and benefits package is highly competitive. Inquiries and application materials, including a letter of research interests and goals, CV, and three letters of reference should be sent to Candice Alfano, Ph.D. at caalfano@uh.edu.

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