VERMONT CENTER ON BEHAVIOR AND HEALTH POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The Vermont Center on Behavior and Health (VCBH) located at the University of Vermont (UVM) Larner College of Medicine (LCOM) announces **THREE** NIH postdoctoral research fellowship opportunities in our internationally-recognized center of excellence in tobacco and substance use disorder research.

Working with **Dr. Stacey Sigmon**, the fellow will help to lead ongoing randomized clinical trials evaluating low-barrier, technology-assisted buprenorphine treatment for individuals with opioid use disorder (OUD), as well as develop new research opportunities aimed at expanding OUD treatment access in rural, underserved areas.

Working with **Dr. Diann Gaalema**, the fellow will participate in the conduct of an ongoing NIDA/FDA-funded trial on the use of tobacco in vulnerable populations, including people with affective disorders, as well as work on and develop new research opportunities within the area of tobacco use in cardiac patients.

Working with **Dr. Andrea Villanti**, the fellow will assist with ongoing population studies related to youth and young adult tobacco and substance use and vaping prevention, and randomized controlled trials of nicotine messaging. The fellowship will include secondary analysis of cohort and trial data to inform public health programs and policy, with opportunities to develop new research projects in ongoing and pilot studies.

Drs. Sigmon, Gaalema and Villanti, VCBH colleagues, and our 30-year training program have an exceptional track record of helping fellows to establish successful careers as independent investigators.

Eligibility: Applicants must have completed their training in psychology or a related discipline and be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Outstanding trainees are selected on the basis of scholastic record, productivity and commitment to a career in substance use disorder research. Individuals must be highly motivated, possess initiative, and have a strong desire to learn and expand their interests and expertise.

Appointment: 2-3 yrs.

Benefits: Stipend, medical insurance coverage, and travel funds supported by NIH Institutional Training Awards.

To apply: Send application form (downloaded from VCBH website), a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of research interests, and 3 letters of reference to: Dr. Sarah Heil (sarah.heil@uvm.edu). Please indicate which faculty member(s) you are interested in working with in your cover letter.

For more information: Contact Ms. Nicole C. Twohig, Nicole.twohig@uvm.edu or visit our website.

About us: VCBH, established in 2013, is an interdisciplinary center of research excellence committed to investigating relationships between personal behavior patterns (i.e., lifestyle) and risk for chronic disease and premature death. Unhealthy, or risk behaviors, are overrepresented among socioeconomically disadvantaged populations and are major contributors to the problem of health

disparities. VCBH's work seeks to develop effective interventions and policies to promote healthy behavior. The VCBH resides within the UVM LCOM Department of Psychiatry, with additional investigators, collaborators, and advisors across 15 LCOM academic departments, seven UVM colleges, and five other universities. The VCBH is further strengthened by interdisciplinary collaborations with key community healthcare leaders and distinguished scientific advisory panels.

Burlington, Vermont is located in the beautiful Lake Champlain region and has continually been voted one of the nicest cities in which to live as well as one of America's most "fit" cities due to the four seasons of outdoor activities. Burlington is a great place for families, boasting excellent schools, a culturally-rich environment, and close proximity to Boston and Montreal.

The University is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through their research, teaching, and/or service. Applicants are requested to include in their cover letter information about how they will further this goal.

The University of Vermont is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, protected veteran status, or any other category legally protected by federal or state law. The University encourages applications from all individuals who will contribute to the diversity and excellence of the institution. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.