VISN 19 MIRECC Denver Postdoctoral Fellowship – Resource/Administrative Assistance Policy

Each of the Fellows is provided with a furnished workspace, computer, telephone, Internet and Intranet access, and VA email address. Word-processing, database, slide preparation, and statistical software are readily available, as are treatment rooms, clerical support and office supplies. Fellows have access to the VA Electronic Medical Library and the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Library. As such, Fellows have access to a wide range of peer-reviewed journals. They are also provided with access to EndNote. Fellows have access to a library of treatment manuals and tests for providing empirically-supported treatments, and complex neuropsychological and personality assessments. Many of these measures are provided as part of the VA Mental Health Testing Package. Fellows' clinical work is conducted in the Denver VAMC. As described above, Fellows are provided with the opportunity to work with Veterans at high-risk for suicidal behavior. Moreover, the population of individuals seeking care at the Denver VAMC also provides Fellows with a diverse population of potential research participants.

Fellows also have access to the Data and Statistical Core (DASC). The main function of the DASC is to facilitate the research and mission of the VISN 19 MIRECC. This encompasses rigorous study design, efficient management of data that ensures its quality and integrity, and statistically sound data analysis and interpretation. Support provided during study planning includes input on study design, development of hypotheses, provision of power analyses and analytic plans with sound methodologies, provision of data and security plan sections and descriptions of national datasets, as needed. The DASC will additionally aid with manuscript, presentation and poster creation; contributing analyses, statistical sections, graphs, tables, results and interpretation as well as to the overall flow of the material presented.