

## **INTERPROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP IN PSYCHOSOCIAL REHABILITATION AND RECOVERY-ORIENTED SERVICES AVAILABLE AT VA CONNECTICUT HEALTHCARE SYSTEM**

The VA Connecticut Health Care System is seeking applicants for a one-year post-graduate fellowship in psychosocial rehabilitation based at the Errera Annex and the Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC). The Psychosocial Rehabilitation Fellowship is designed to provide advanced training in psychosocial rehabilitation to mental health professionals from various disciplines (chaplains, nursing, occupational therapy, psychiatry, psychology, and social work) over a yearlong (full-time) commitment; there are opportunities for both clinical and research experiences. Through the Errera programs, multidisciplinary mental health professionals provide an array of community-based rehabilitative programs including day and crisis intervention programs (for individuals struggling with mental illness and/or substance abuse disorders, homelessness, and/or aging), vocational programs, housing programs, homeless outreach and engagement, advocacy and clinical case management programs. Fellows develop individualized projects with close mentoring from faculty; projects may include research in areas such as peer support, mental health service outcomes, and vocational and neurocognitive rehabilitation; the development of new clinical programs; and consultation with community partners. Many opportunities exist for participating in ongoing collaborative research and scholarly writing. Applicants should have a strong interest in community mental health; Fellows will be undertaking innovative outcome-based work and facilitating the transformation of the national VA mental health care system from a traditional, hospital-based system to an information-driven, community-based system whose focus is partnering with consumers within their natural environments.

Fellows attend weekly theoretical and applications seminars. Clinical supervision for obtaining licensure is provided. Stipends vary by discipline; federal benefits provided. PSR Fellows receive Yale affiliation appointments. Completion of degree is required by the start of the fellowship – September 1st.

Fellows must be U.S. citizens and must be graduates of academic programs that are accredited by the nationally recognized accrediting bodies for the profession. Applications are invited from graduates of psychiatry residency programs (PGY-5) and we can also accept psychiatry residents entering their PGY 4 year, doctoral programs in clinical or counseling psychology, master's or doctoral programs in social work, master's or doctoral programs in mental health nursing, master's or doctoral programs in occupational therapy, and master's of divinity programs with four units of ACPE CPE.

To apply, email or send 1) letter of interest, 2) curriculum vitae 3) three letters of recommendation (from recent supervisors or faculty members familiar with your clinical work; letters must be on letterhead and signed. They can be sent by the candidate or the letter writer.) to: Anne Klee, Ph.D. at [anne.klee@va.gov](mailto:anne.klee@va.gov) or Errera Annex of VA Connecticut Health Care System, 200 Edison Road, Orange, CT 06477. For additional information, contact Dr. Klee via email at [anne.klee@va.gov](mailto:anne.klee@va.gov) or by telephone at (203) 640-1727.

VA CT is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Review of applications will begin January 1<sup>st</sup>. Psychology applicants have the option to use the APPA CAS online portal or submit their materials directly to us by January 1<sup>st</sup>. Social work applications should be received by February 15<sup>th</sup>. Applications from other disciplines will be reviewed on a rolling basis.