JDRF National Diabetes Psychology Fellowship Program

**KEY DATES**
- **Release Date**: Friday September 15th, 2017
- **Application Submission Deadline**: Thursday December 14th, 2017
- **Applicants Notified of Decisions**: February 2018
- *Fellowships Can Start Any Time Prior to July 1st, 2018*

**SUMMARY**

**Description:**
In collaboration with nationally recognized clinical psychologists with expertise in diabetes, JDRF has created a National Diabetes Psychology Fellowship program to increase capacity in diabetes clinical psychology and diabetes psychology research.

**Institutional Eligibility:**
Domestic academic institutions; Domestic diabetes clinical centers engaged in diabetes research.

**Applicant Eligibility:**
The fellowship program sponsored by JDRF is a combination of clinical diabetes care and diabetes research. Each applicant must have documented research experience, a career interest in diabetes specialized psychology and must have completed a PhD program in the field of psychology.

**Program Description:**
The fellowship program sponsored by JDRF is a combination of clinical diabetes care and diabetes research. Each postdoctoral fellowship is a **12 month term**. Fellowships follow a modified academic calendar, starting on **July 1st, 2018** and ending on **June 30th, 2019**.

**Applicant**
The fellowship is intended for those at a relatively early stage of their career. Ordinarily, the most recent doctoral degree will have been received no more than 2 years prior to the application submission.

There are no citizenship requirements for this program. To assure continued excellence and diversity among applicants and awardees, JDRF welcomes applications from all qualified individuals and from persons with disabilities, women and members of minority groups.

Fellowships cannot be awarded to the same fellow more than 1 time.

**Expectations**
At the conclusion of the fellowship, each fellow should have at least 2 manuscripts either submitted or ready for submission. Fellows should also have submitted to the ADA and/or AADE Annual Meetings for presentation via poster or oral session. All abstract submissions and manuscripts should be shared with JDRF and should acknowledge JDRF.
Operations:
The fellowship site will employ each fellow. A mentor at the site will be responsible for the final selection of each fellow and the institutional hiring process for the fellow. JDRF is the fellowship funder and the overall fellowship program manager. Fellows and mentors will be expected to communicate with JDRF on a quarterly basis. Fellows are also expected to participate in the JDRF managed online learning program. The online learning program will include deep dive learning opportunities for fellows related to diabetes and psychology.

Location:
Fellowship locations will be in the United States. All locations will be attached to an academic institution and a clinical diabetes management program. Fellows will be interviewed by the sites to determine the best fit for talents and interests.

The following is a list of the host site institutions and mentors for this opportunity.

- **Stanford University**, Stanford, CA
  - **Mentor:** Dr. Korey Hood, *Professor of Pediatrics and of Psychiatry and Behavior Sciences*

- **Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago**, Chicago, IL
  - **Mentor:** Dr. Jill Weissberg-Benchell, *Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*

- **Oregon Health & Sciences University**, Portland, OR
  - **Mentor:** Dr. Michael Harris, *Professor, Pediatrics & Anesthesiology; Chief, Pediatric Psychology; and Director, Novel Interventions in Children’s Healthcare (NICH)*

- **University of Florida**, Gainesville, FL
  - **Mentors:** Dr. David Janicke, *Professor, Department of Clinical and Health Psychology*
    Dr. Desmond Schatz, *Professor and Associate Chair, Pediatrics*

- **Children’s National Medical Center**, Washington, D.C.
  - **Mentor:** Dr. Randi Streisand, *Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*

Application

*Research Plan*
The research plan should be suitable for a 1 year fellowship training period. The project should be specific, substantive, and relevant to Type 1 diabetes. Extensive discussion between the applicant and the mentor is expected once fellowship is awarded in order to identify appropriate research project goals and metrics.

The research plan document may not exceed 3 pages, including all figures and tables. The document will be considered along with the entire application. Documents that exceed the page limit will not be considered.

*Future Career Plan Statement*
The Future Career Plan Statement is limited to 1 page. This applicant must include a statement of career goals and indicate the relevance of these goals to type 1 diabetes-related research.

*References*
Letters of Reference: 3 Total Referees
These references should be able to discuss the applicant's scientific abilities and overall career potential. This is a mandatory submission requirement.
The reference letters must be submitted by the referees via email. These letters need to be sent to preawardsupport@jdrf.org prior to the submission deadline. Applicants will need to provide their referees with the template, which can be found in the additional attachments section of the application. Please note that applicants cannot submit reference letters on their referee's behalf.

**Term of Award, Stipend & Application Deadline:**
Awards are for a maximum of 1 year. Fellows must devote 100% of their effort toward diabetes care and research during the fellowship term. At the end of the term, fellows should have achieved enough clinical hours for licensure. Recipients of the JDRF award cannot hold another postdoctoral fellowship at the same time. Fellows should be cognizant of licensure requirements at the beginning of the fellowship and establish a plan for achievement with the mentor within the first month of the fellowship.

Fellowship stipends can be requested for up to a maximum of $54,000 USD per year and should follow the NIH fellowship standards, which are based on years of postdoctoral experience. The mentor will provide specifics of the stipend during the interview process.

**Instructions to Submit an Application:**
Applicants should register and submit their applications in RMS360 (http://jdrf.smartsimple.us). All applications are due no later than Thursday December 14th, 2017. Fellowships will be awarded by February 2018.

If you have any grant-specific questions as you work within RMS360, please contact the administrative contact listed below.

For any non-grant-specific inquiries or issues, please contact SmartSimple Support Services via email support@smartsimple.com or phone (866) 239-0991. Support hours are Monday through Friday between 5:00am and 9:00pm US Eastern Standard Time.

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