

INTERPROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM IN PSYCHOSOCIAL REHABILITATION and RECOVERY-ORIENTED SERVICES



**Department of Veterans Affairs
VA Eastern Colorado Healthcare System
Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center
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Position Announcement

The VA Eastern Colorado Healthcare System (VAECHS) is seeking applicants for a 1-year postgraduate fellowship in psychosocial rehabilitation (PSR) and recovery-oriented services for Veterans living with serious mental illness (SMI). This Advanced Fellowship is funded by the VA Office of Academic Affiliations (OAA). Advanced Fellowships improve health care for VA and the Nation through advanced training of emerging interprofessional health care leaders. Advanced Fellows improve care for Veterans through research and improvement projects.

Program Description

The goal of the fellowship is to support professional development and foster leadership skills among early career professionals in the area of Psychosocial Rehabilitation for veterans with SMI. The fellowship offers advanced training experiences in SMI and PSR to fellows from social work, clinical psychology and psychiatry. The fellowship is 40 hours per week for 1 full year and starts August 25th, 2025. Fellows receive a stipend according to guidelines from the VA Office of Academic Affiliations (OAA) plus health insurance benefits with co-pay.

This unique fellowship training experience offers:

- Supervised clinical experiences providing recovery-oriented Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR) services and evidence-based interventions on interprofessional treatment teams
- A comprehensive series of weekly educational didactics and trainings, as well as mentoring and support for career development
- Opportunities to participate in program development and dissemination activities and national presentations



Primary Clinical Placements

Primary clinical settings include the Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery (PRRC) and Intensive Community Mental Health Recovery (ICMHR) programs at the VA Rocky Mountain Regional Medical Center. Additional elective training experiences may be available in Inpatient Psychiatry, the Behavioral Health Interprofessional Program (BHIP), Early Intervention for Psychosis, Couple and Family Services & Specialty Mental Health Services to include Substance Use Disorder & PTSD. Fellows will work with supervisors and mentors across a robust team of interprofessional faculty to support their professional goals and development.

A key element in our training program is individualizing training experiences to fit the professional development and career goals of each Fellow. Early in the training year, Fellow's with support from faculty, will develop an individualized plan for the training year.

Qualifications Required

- Completion of a postgraduate degree (MSW, PhD/PsyD, MD or equivalent)
- Psychology applicants: completion of an APA-accredited doctorate in clinical or counseling psychology (including completion of doctoral dissertation and an APA-accredited internship)
- VA regulations require US citizenship and that males born after December 31, 1959 must have registered for the draft by age 26 years.
- Desirable qualifications include experience with and a commitment to working with persons living with SMI, and career goals involving clinical and leadership roles in Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR) and Recovery-oriented services.

Application Process:

To apply, please submit the following materials:

- A cover letter which includes a statement of interest in the PSR Fellowship. The letter of interest should include: a brief summary of educational, clinical and research experiences relevant to PSR and any other areas of interest, a summary of your training needs and goals for the Fellowship, and a statement of your career goals.
- CV or resume
- 3 letters of reference, preferably from clinical and research supervisors
- Please send all documents as attachments in one email (if possible). Letters of recommendation can be emailed by the candidate and do not need to come from the reference directly.

Psychology applicants: Please email materials to Robert.Johnson31@va.gov with the subject, "LAST NAME-PSR Fellowship Application" by January 6th, 2025.

Social Work applicants: Please email materials to brittany.musicaro@va.gov with the subject, "LAST NAME-PSR Fellowship Application" by February 7, 2025.

Psychiatry applicants: Please email materials to Robert.Johnson31@va.gov with the subject, "LAST NAME-PSR Fellowship Application" by February 7th, 2025.

Please feel free to contact Robert Johnson, PhD (Robert.Johnson31@va.gov) or Britany Musicaro, PsyD (Brittany.Musicaro@va.gov) with any questions. s