CHAIR, DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY

The Perelman School of Medicine (PSOM) at the University of Pennsylvania invites applications and nominations for the position of Professor and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry.

Rich in tradition, uncompromisingly committed to excellence in academic Psychiatry, and endowed with gifted and dedicated faculty and trainees, Penn's Department is well-positioned to lead Psychiatry in the 21st century. The Department has the largest and most advanced program in the Philadelphia metropolitan area and is part of Penn Medicine—one of the world's leading academic medical centers, comprised of the Perelman School of Medicine (PSOM) and the University of Pennsylvania Health System (UPHS). The Department is nationally recognized and continually ranked as one of the top Psychiatry Departments in the country.

The Department of Psychiatry is dedicated to a tripartite mission of excellence in patient care, basic and translational research, and the education of residents and medical students. Located on the campus of the University of Pennsylvania, there are virtually unlimited opportunities to develop cutting edge interdisciplinary programs and to promote educational, research, and clinical interactions.

The Chair of the Department directs 130 full-time standing faculty members and nearly 350 associated faculty and academic support staff, with ultimate responsibility for approximately 600 staff. The Department’s research programs include more than $60 million in extramural funding and a vast array of basic, translational, clinical, behavioral and health services delivery programs.

The Department’s high-quality clinical programs are provided by outstanding clinicians, including nationally and internationally acclaimed faculty. Leveraging the faculty practice plan within the Clinical Practices of the University of Pennsylvania (CPUP), major hospital sites for clinical and educational activities include the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP), Penn Presbyterian Medical Center (PPMC), Pennsylvania Hospital (PAH), The Chester County Hospital (TCCH), Lancaster General Hospital (LGH), the Philadelphia Veterans Affairs Medical Center (PVAMC), and the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), institutions of great distinction and diversity.

Within CPUP, the department delivers approximately 50,000 clinical outpatient visits and 40,000 clinical research visits. The Department operates 40 beds at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center and 42 beds at Pennsylvania Hospital, with more than 2200 patient admissions, and 25,000 patient days. Department faculty also provide care at two affiliated hospitals. The in-patient service at the PVAMC provides acute and comprehensive diagnostic evaluations and psychiatric care for approximately 1200 patients annually and the Behavioral Health Service at PVAMC provides acute and ongoing psychiatric services to over 17,000 patients annually. The outpatient psychiatry clinic at CHOP sees 9,500 patients annually. Each of these sites supports the clinical research mission of the Department.
In addition, the Department has developed Penn Behavioral Health Corporate Services, (PBHCS), a unique organizational structure that houses the development, management and delivery of non-traditional business/clinical services. There are 3 distinct business lines within PBHCS: Administrative Services Organization which manages the mental health benefits for the Health System and the University; Employer Services which provides Employee Assistance Programs, Management Assistance and Consultation and Work Life Services to approximate 60 companies in the Delaware Valley and Other Services and Products which include Professionalism, Executive Coaching, Penn Behavioral Mind, Tele psychiatry and Mindfulness.

Penn has a well-deserved reputation as one of the most stimulating academic environments in the world. New researchers can expect to collaborate and learn from some of the best scientists in medicine in an interactive, highly integrated and supportive working environment. The Department has more than 20 clinical research programs, ranging from the study of various mental health conditions to addictions, sleep and developmental disorders. These programs, coupled with a foundation of outstanding basic science, have led to national and international distinction, with the Department consistently among the top five programs nationally in NIH funding.

The educational programs in the Department include undergraduate education, undergraduate medical education, residency and clinical fellowship training, graduate (Ph.D.) training, post-doctoral research fellowship training, and continuing medical education and public outreach. The mission of the educational programs is to provide quality education to residents and students in one of the most comprehensive facilities of its kind in the world. The residency program offers skilled training in general psychiatry, along with elective tracks in psychotherapy, clinical research and community psychiatry.

Applicants for the position of Chair must hold an MD or MD/PhD degree and must be qualified for faculty appointment as a Professor of Psychiatry. The successful candidate will possess dynamic leadership and organizational skills, a distinguished research record, dedication to the clinical and research missions, including a strong commitment to the education and mentorship of students, fellows and faculty. Applicants must have extensive administration experience, as a Chair or (Program Director) Division Chief of a Department of Psychiatry, or Director of a Center or Institute and be a champion of quality care and patient safety, diversity, inclusion and philanthropy. The candidate should express a clear vision of the future of Psychiatry and the role of a Psychiatry Department that is part of a renowned integrated academic medical center.

All interested applicants are invited to send their curriculum vitae and letter of interest to Mitchell D. Schnall, MD, PhD, Chair, Psychiatry Search Committee, c/o Margaret M. Lizotte, Search Committee Liaison, lizotte@exchange.upenn.edu.

We seek candidates who embrace and reflect diversity in the broadest sense.

The University of Pennsylvania is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer.

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