

## 2010-2011 Post Doctoral Psychology Fellowship

### Overview

Upstate Cerebral Palsy and The Kelberman Center are pleased to announce the training opportunity for four post-doctoral psychology fellowship positions for the 2010-2011 training year. These 12-month fellowships will take place from 8/31/10-8/26/11 in two separate specialization tracks in developmental disabilities. There will be two positions available through Upstate Cerebral Palsy in the Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities Track and two positions available at The Kelberman Center in the Autism track.

### Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities Track

Upstate Cerebral Palsy has a 60 year history of effectively treating some of the most complex individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities across the state of New York. The services at Upstate Cerebral Palsy cover a 4-county service area through 74 locations serving over 10,000 individuals and employing 1,900 staff. These services are provided through a full range of educational, residential, vocational, and outpatient programs for individuals with special needs (i.e. intellectual and developmental disabilities). The age of program participants ranges from early childhood (i.e., early intervention, special education pre-school services) through school age (education and residential programs) to adulthood (i.e. residences, day treatment, medical clinics).

All activities conducted through this track will be coordinated through the Department of Psychological and Behavioral Services at Upstate Cerebral Palsy. This department is housed within the Quality Development and Support Division (QDS) at Upstate Cerebral Palsy. This division provides comprehensive support to all of the services provided by Upstate Cerebral Palsy. The two fellows selected for this track will gain expertise in comprehensive evaluations, case consultation, individual and group therapy, and providing staff training and support. The cases selected for the fellows will come from any of the day, residential, and outpatient programs throughout the agency. This is a tremendous opportunity to work and gain skills with a wide variety of ages, disabilities, and clinical presentations.

### Autism Spectrum Disorders Track

The Autism Spectrum Disorders Track will take place through The Kelberman Center, which is an affiliate of Upstate Cerebral Palsy. Since 2005 the Kelberman Center has served as a regional center of excellence to upstate New York for individuals with autism spectrum disorders and related learning challenges. The Kelberman Center provides a wide range of innovative diagnostic and treatment programs for children and adults in outpatient, community, and school-based settings. These services range from traditional diagnostic evaluations, therapy, and medication management to unique programs like the Awesome Summer Days Camp and the North Country Mental Health Initiative which provides mobile diagnostic evaluations to rural areas of northern New York.

The two fellows selected for this track will have the opportunity to gain expertise in gold-standard comprehensive diagnostic and neuropsychological evaluations, conducting individual, family, and group therapy, and providing comprehensive school consultation. This is an excellent opportunity to develop a wide range of highly desired skills specific to autism spectrum disorders.

### Supervision

The fellow will receive two hours of individual supervision each week by a licensed psychologist.

### Benefits and Requirements

Salary for the fellowship is \$37,000 and includes full agency benefits. All fellows will be expected to have received their doctoral degree and have acquired their New York State Limited Permit prior to starting the fellowship.

### Location

Upstate Cerebral Palsy is located in Upstate New York in the foothills of the Adirondacks. The area provides many educational and recreational opportunities. The cost of living is low relative to larger metropolitan areas in the Northeast.

### More Information and Application Process

Those interested in more information should visit our website at [www.upstatecerebralpalsy.org](http://www.upstatecerebralpalsy.org)

To apply, please send curriculum vitae, one evaluation writing sample, and 3 reference letters to Erik Jacobson, Ph.D. at [erik.jacobson@upstatecp.org](mailto:erik.jacobson@upstatecp.org) by July 1, 2010. Interviews and selection of the fellows will take place in July.