



Faculty Position in Implementation Science Department of Psychiatry

The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) Division of Health Services Research, in conjunction with the UAMS Center for Implementation Research, seeks an implementation scientist for a faculty position. The position will be commensurate with background and experience falling anywhere between the Assistant to Full Professor range. A tenure track appointment is available for qualified candidates. The successful applicant will work with a multi-disciplinary team of scientists across a wide range of implementation research activities within mental health contexts-- e.g., developing and testing implementation strategies, observational studies of real-world implementation, hybrid clinical effectiveness-implementation trials, and preliminary research on barriers/facilitators to implementation.

UAMS is an academic health science campus with Colleges of Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, Public Health, Health Professions, and Graduate School. The UAMS main campus is located in Little Rock and has a regional campus in Fayetteville, home of the University of Arkansas. Clinical excellence, scientific translation, and practical applicability are found in abundance at UAMS. Faculty enjoy close collaboration among colleagues from seven research institutes, eight regional clinical centers across the state, the Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System, and Arkansas Children's Hospital. Research interests align via the Translational Research Institute, founded in 2011 following a 2009 Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA). UAMS Bioventures facilitates commercialization of inventions and services developed by UAMS researchers to benefit public health.

The Division of Health Services Research (DHSR) is the largest research division within the UAMS Department of Psychiatry with 19 faculty members working collaboratively on research funded by NIH, PCORI, VA, and the DoD. For nearly two decades, DHSR has been recognized as one of the largest, most comprehensive, and innovative health services research centers in the nation. DHSR is the home to three nationally recognized VA-funded mental health services research centers (see below) and two post-doctoral research training programs. The mission of DHSR is to improve the lives of individuals with mental health and substance abuse use disorders by conducting scientifically rigorous research in close partnership with clinical and community stakeholders (<http://psychiatry.uams.edu/research-2/division-of-health-services-research/>). The newly-founded Center for Implementation Research (CIR) is a joint entity between the Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy at UAMS. The CIR will strive for a nationally recognized, extramurally funded program with a dual focus on developing generalizable knowledge from research and conducting demonstration projects in high priority implementation areas. In addition, the CIR will have a strong focus on education, training, and mentoring at UAMS.

Three VA research centers are closely affiliated with the DHSR and CIR: 1) the Mental Health Quality Enhancement Research Initiative Coordinating Center (MH QUERI CC), 2) the Center for Mental

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Healthcare and Outcomes Research (CeMHOR), and the South Central Mental Illness Research, Clinical, and Educational Center (SC MIRECC). Of particular important for this position, the MH QUERI CC is the VA's national hub for implementation research in the area of mental health (<http://www.queri.research.va.gov/mh/default.cfm>). The center supports a large network of VA investigators at the forefront of mental health implementation research.

This will be a full-time faculty position within the UAMS Department of Psychiatry. A joint position with the VA is also possible. Early-career applicants will be evaluated on academic background, level of productivity within the field of implementation science, and evidence of strong collaboration. Mid-career or senior-level applicants should have a successful history of NIH, PCORI, VA and/or DoD funding with strong academic credentials and the motivation to not only compete for federal funding but to mentor junior faculty in the process. All applicants should have excellent planning, communication and leadership skills.

To apply, please send indication of interest and CV to:

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