Nursing (LEND) Fellowship in Developmental Disabilities  
2017-18

JFK Partners, Colorado’s University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Service (UCEDD) and Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) Program is offering a 12-month LEND Fellowship to begin July 1, 2017. The training emphasizes an interdisciplinary approach to research, assessment, and intervention, family support, service coordination, and community integration to meet the physical and emotional needs of persons with developmental disabilities. Development of disciplinary and interdisciplinary expertise, leadership and consultation skills, research/quality improvement, and clinical growth are the goals of the training program.

Program Description: The Advanced Practice Nursing LEND Fellow participates in interdisciplinary evaluations, interventions and consultation with a wide range of persons with neurodevelopmental disabilities, with an emphasis on Autism Spectrum Disorders. The fellow also attends seminars offered at JFK Partners and is expected to participate in a research or quality improvement project in developmental disabilities. JFK Partners is committed to the recruitment of diverse individuals, including bilingual Spanish-speaking applicants.

Eligibility: Applicants admitted to (or having completed) one of the following graduate Programs will be considered: PhD, DNP, DNP-MPH Dual Degree/DNP PHN Specialty, Nurse Practitioner (Psychiatric Mental Health, Pediatric, Acute Care, Family) and Clinical Nurse Specialist. Must be available to take coursework on Tuesdays (Sept-May) and attend a Leadership Course (July 31-Aug 4, 2017 and Aug 7-11, 2017 from 2:00-5:00 pm daily). Only candidates with US citizenship may be considered.

Support: Compensation for this graduate level, part-time (12-hours/week) position is $6,876 over 12 months. In-state tuition support is available for those interested in receiving credit. Courses undertaken during the fellowship are eligible to be considered as potential electives for the MPH or DNP Nursing Programs. Funding for this position is contingent upon JFK Partners receiving grant funding.
**Application:**
Our application requires the submission of the following documents:

1. **Cover Letter/Statement of Interest** - Please include answers to the following questions:
   - Describe why a fellowship at JFK Partners interests you.
   - Have you had any experience elsewhere with Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) training?
   - Describe past experiences related to working with individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders or other developmental disabilities.
   - How does advanced training in developmental disabilities fit with your future professional plans?

2. **Graduate School transcript**

3. **Resume/CV**

4. **Three (3) letters of recommendation** from faculty or supervisors familiar with your interests and work relevant to this fellowship.

The deadline for receipt of materials is **May 1, 2017**. Please send materials to: Dina Johnson, Associate Training Director, JFK Partners, 13121 East 17th Avenue, C234, Aurora, Colorado 80045. You can also email your application materials to Dina.Johnson@ucdenver.edu, but we ask that you send them all at one time.

Please contact Dina Johnson, MA, Associate Training Director, JFK Partners with any questions.

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