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## **Postdoctoral Fellow** *Global Mental Health*

### **Summary of position**

Srividya Iyer's research group at the Douglas Research Centre and McGill University invites applications for a Postdoctoral Fellow position from candidates interested in working in global mental health.

The post-doc will mainly be involved in an exciting new project funded by the International Development Research Centre, that involves leadership from and partnership with colleagues at the University of Ibadan and other stakeholders in Nigeria. The project aims to conduct a gendered situational analysis of how the COVID-19 pandemic and significant life events (childbirth, family/health emergencies, etc.) affect the paid and unpaid work, and mental, physical and social wellbeing of self-employed young women in Nigeria; their strategies for coping with such events; and how these compare with those of self-employed young men. A second aim is to co-produce and pilot a scalable intervention to support self-employed young women in Nigeria to cope better with disruptions to their well-being and work.

The post-doc will have the opportunity to contribute to other projects focused on youth mental health, early intervention and global mental health.

### **Description of tasks**

The post-doctoral fellow will be supervised by Dr. Srividya Iyer. The candidate will work closely with the research groups' collaborators across Quebec, Canada and internationally to:

- Actively contribute to conceptualization, implementation, data collection and analysis, knowledge translation and stakeholder engagement
- Develop a solid foundation for a future career as a researcher or clinician-scientist
- Implement research protocols, project design and execution
- Prepare ethics applications, and scientific writing (manuscripts, reports etc.)
- Participate in scientific outreach activities (seminars, conferences, etc.)
- Participate in the supervision of students, and innovative knowledge dissemination activities

### **Required qualifications**

- PhD or equivalent qualification in a related field (Public Health/Psychology/Physical & Occupational Therapy/ Epidemiology/ Sociology/Psychiatry/Nursing/Education, Social sciences/ Mental Health/ Social work, etc.)

### **Required skills**

- Experience with quantitative or qualitative or mixed methods research methodology and related software applications (e.g., SPSS, R, STATA, SAS, NVIVO, ATLAS.ti, etc.) is required.
- Ability to communicate effectively in spoken and written English

## **Required abilities**

- Ability to work collaboratively in an interdisciplinary team environment
- Experience working with young people, families, community partners, lived experience experts
- Experience working in Nigeria is a strong asset
- Experience with collaborative projects in low- and-middle-income countries is a strong asset
- The post-doc will be expected to uphold a strong commitment to equity, diversity, cultural humility and inclusion

## **Location of Work**

The candidate will be registered at the Douglas Research Centre and McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Flexible arrangements regarding the location are possible upon discussion.

A mutually acceptable hybrid work arrangement (remote and in-person) can be negotiated

The post-doctoral fellow will travel with the Canadian Co-PI, at least once during the two-year period, to Ibadan, Nigeria (the site of data collection), to participate in research activities.

## **Work schedule and duration**

- Full-time (35h/week). Other arrangements can be negotiated with discussion
- Position is currently available. Start date can be negotiated with some flexibility
- Duration: Two-year full-time appointment

## **Salary and benefits**

At least \$50,000 annually (plus benefits) is guaranteed until other funding sources cumulated (e.g., FRQS, CHIR, etc.) greater than this amount is found. The fellow will be supported to apply for their own salary support, funding, prizes, and grants.

Travel to national and/or international research meetings, and funds for operational costs associated with research projects will be offered.

## **How to apply**

Please email your application package to Navdeep Kaur at [navdeep.kaur.comtl@sss.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:navdeep.kaur.comtl@sss.gouv.qc.ca) with the following items as a single PDF with the subject "Postdoctoral Fellow application":

- Curriculum vitae
- Name and contact info for 3 academic references
- Research interest statement letter that aligns with the position

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. We are an equity, diversity, and inclusion affirming organization. We strongly encourage persons typically under-represented in academia to apply for this position.

**Deadline to apply:** March 15, 2023

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. McGill University and Douglas Research Centre are committed to fostering an equitable, accessible, and inclusive workplace. Accommodations are available for all applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations, please contact, in confidence McGill University's Human Resources at [disability.hr@mcgill.ca](mailto:disability.hr@mcgill.ca) to make appropriate arrangements.



*McGill University and the Douglas Research Centre are on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst Indigenous peoples, including the Kanien'kehá:ka of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, Huron/Wendat, Abenaki, and Anishinaabeg. We recognize and respect the Kanien'kehà:ka as the traditional custodians of the lands and waters on which we meet today. Today, Tiohtià:ke/Montréal is home to a diverse population of Indigenous and other peoples. We respect the continued connections with the past, present and future in our ongoing relationships with Indigenous and other peoples within Montreal and across the country.*