We are looking for a full time research assistant to work on the project described below. The person must be able to commit to continue in the position for at least two years. Job ID# 38659.

PURPOSE: This position is part of a large-scale project to study health, behavior and brain structure and function in children, adolescents, younger adults, and older adults. The person will: 1) have responsibility for testing and scanning participants using task-based functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) and behavioral/cognitive/computerized testing; 2) help with preprocessing and quality control of imaging and behavioral data; and 3) work with a team of other research assistants to assess a large sample of individuals with task and resting state fMRI and behavioral data as part of the project.

PRINCIPAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:
1. Interviews study participants about behaviors, moods and feelings symptoms and tests children, adolescents enrolled in study per protocol, using functional and structural magnetic resonance imaging and behavioral/ cognitive/ computerized testing.
2. Performs phlebotomy, Processes blood draws, urine drug samples, saliva and alcohol breathalyzer testing in accordance with study guidelines.
3. Refers patients to resources available in community 3. and social services.
4. Maintains proper documentation and record keeping.
5. Responsible for problem solving issues that arise in MRI scanning and to participate in trouble shooting and developing alternative approaches.
6. Delivers study samples to lab for testing
7. Performs data entry and maintains data files on research.
8. Prepares information packets for patients enrolled in study

JOB LOCATION/WORKING CONDITIONS: Clinical office setting with some pressure caused by study deadlines and patient schedules. Some potential exposure to biological hazards (urine, saliva, blood). Must be physically able to wear protective equipment. Must be able to learn to run an MRI machine and problem solve issues associated with scanning.

CRITICAL SKILLS/EXPERTISE: Responsibility, attention to detail, and experience in research.

MINIMUM EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE: Equivalent of Bachelors in Psychology, Psychological & Brain Sciences, Neuroscience, or a related field; or 4 years of experience

RELATIONSHIP: Works directly with laboratory staff personnel and principal investigators.

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work performed by people assigned to this classification. They are not to be construed as an exhaustive list of all job duties performed by the personnel so classified.

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