

Postdoctoral Scholar, Substance Abuse Research

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What does your lab study and what techniques do you use?

The University of Kentucky was awarded one of the NIH-funded Justice Community Opioid Innovation Network (JCOIN) Clinical Research Center grants with the overall aim of increasing access to medications to treatment opioid use disorder (MOUD) among justice involved women with a history of opioid use disorder (OUD) following jail release. The project is a type 1 hybrid effectiveness and implementation trial to examine an innovative telehealth pre-treatment model (alone and in combination with peer navigators) for justice-involved women in transition from jail to the community in 9 sites (6 experimental and 3 comparison, Services as Usual [SAU] sites). The study also includes a focus on social networks that enhance treatment and recovery support following release from jail, as well as scientific aims focused on study implementation and intervention cost-analysis.

How will the postdoctoral scholar/fellow contribute to the lab?

The Kentucky JCOIN hub will support two postdoctoral fellowships (salary and benefits). Fellowship recipients will be expected to develop their own manuscripts and presentations while also contributing to the larger research program focused on justice-involved women under the mentorship of one or more JCOIN faculty. Fellows will also be expected to actively participate in departmental and professional research related activities. Preference will be given to applicants with a research focus on women, substance use disorders, social networks, and/or implementation science. In addition, a series of research career development activities and trainings, including grant writing, will be available which are designated to enhance the fellow's competitiveness for a future faculty position.

What skills/experience should a successful applicant have?

Applicants must be eligible to compete for federally funded postdoctoral grants. This includes the eligibility requirement that, by the time of award, the individual must be a citizen or a non-citizen national of the United States or have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence. They also must have completed the doctoral degree within the past two years, or longer with justification, or will complete the doctoral degree before the date of appointment.

Interested applicants can send a short paragraph describing research interests and a CV by email to:

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