

**POSITION TITLE:** Research Assistant or Associate/Family Interventionist

**EMPLOYER:** University of Oregon

**LOCATION (City, State):** Eugene, OR

**WEBSITE: Child and Family Center at <http://cfc.uoregon.edu> .**

### **JOB DESCRIPTION**

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The University of Oregon Child and Family Center (CFC) invites applications for a fixed-term, 1.0 FTE Family Interventionist (FI) position which is a full-time position supported by two University of Oregon Child and Family Center research projects. The FI will be trained on both intervention approaches and will respond with flexible and varying hours to each project as needed on a full-time basis. The Early Steps Project is a prevention research project currently working with 8 – 10 year olds and their parents to support positive parenting practices with the intention of promoting pro-social choices in their children and decreasing the likelihood of deviant behaviors. This project utilizes the Child and Family Center's Family Check-up (FCU) Model which is founded upon Parent Management Training and described by Dishion and Stormshak (2007) and on the Child and Family Center website at <http://cfc.uoregon.edu> . See Child and Family Center website and publications for more detailed information regarding the Family Check-Up Model. The FI will also work for the Oregon Parent Project, a newly funded randomized control study designed to measure the outcomes of an intervention designed for parents of preschoolers with a developmental delay. This project utilizes an adaption of the Incredible Year Parent Training model that has been adapted and modified for the parents of preschool-age children with developmental delays.

#### **Duties/Responsibilities**

Implements interventions: contacts families, conducts interviews, and creates and delivers feedback sessions which are based upon assessment data and coded observational video tasks. In addition, the FI will conduct individualized follow-up parent training sessions with caregivers. Facilitates weekly parent groups; supports individual parent needs to ensure group attendance; provides annual in-home video feedback booster sessions; coordinates parent groups in collaboration with team members; monitors group data collection for standardization and accuracy on a regular basis; organizes and communicates recent decisions and reminders to update staff on all intervention issues; maintains open communication with team members and project Principal Investigator (PI); works collaboratively with team members to accomplish goals; reports to Principal Investigator with all details relating to the intervention process, and receives ongoing supervision from the Principal Investigation regarding all aspects of intervention implementation.

Trains and supervises: Attends staff meetings and participate in regular clinical supervision meetings. Participate in training and discussions/decision making regarding the most effective implementation of each of the models and will ensure compliance with the intervention model and expectations of providing intervention to at-risk populations.

Maintains documentation: Oversees organization and ensures accuracy of intervention materials and protocols. Uses Access database and Excel files to track subjects and participation. Responsible for maintaining computerized treatment records and other case notes as appropriate.

Coordinates Services: Provides educational and resource information as needed. Advocates on behalf of project participants at their request.

Maintain research integrity: Meets with PI to update project progress and troubleshoot potential problems. Maintains familiarity with professional code of ethics for psychologists. Works closely with project PIs and licensed psychologists. Abides by all UO Human Subject Protocols, Data Safety Monitoring Plans, and current National Institute of Health human subject guidelines.

Other: Responsible for other project related tasks as required or requested.

### **Minimum Qualifications**

This position requires a master's (research assistant) or doctorate (research associate) degree in psychology, education, counseling, or related field. Applicants must have experience with behaviorally-based interventions, family-centered interventions with at-risk families, and collaborating with a variety of disciplines and social service agencies. Applicants must have experience working with children (early childhood through adolescence) and possess knowledge of child development. Applicants must have experience with intervention research. Applicants must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills and public presentation skills. Applicant must have experiences interacting with families, home environments, and parents. Applicants must have a demonstrated ability to provide positive parenting feedback in an appropriate, clinically informed manner. Applicants must be able to work flexible hours including evenings and weekends. Applicants must have demonstrated effectiveness as a team member.

Preferred Qualifications, in addition to the minimum qualifications, include experience with: 1) randomized controlled trial research methodology, 2) parent training/education interventions, 3) children with, or at-risk for, disabilities, 4) working with individuals from diverse backgrounds, and 5) fluency in Spanish.

Salary: \$42,000-\$55,000 (1.0 FTE) annually, based on qualifications and experience.

### **Application Procedure**

Submit a letter describing your interest and qualifications, a current vita or resume, and three letters of recommendation to the address shown below. Position is open until filled. Reviews will begin on December 2, 2011.

Send materials to: Angie Relling, Child and Family Center, 195 W. 12th Ave., Eugene, OR, 97401. Phone: (541) 346-2632. Electronic files of any application materials are appreciated and can be emailed to [relling@uoregon.edu](mailto:relling@uoregon.edu).

Candidates with experience serving the needs of diverse populations are strongly encouraged to apply.

The University of Oregon is committed to creating a more inclusive and diverse institution and seeks candidates with demonstrated potential to contribute positively to its diverse community. The University of Oregon is an EOE/AA/ADA institution committed to cultural diversity; women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Position is subject to a criminal background check.