Addiction Psychiatry Fellows



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Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellows



Victoria Ayala, M.D.

Dr. Ayala completed her medical degree at Ross University School of Medicine and is completing her general residency training at St John's Episcopal Hospital in Queens, New York. Prior to Medical School, Dr Ayala worked as a high school chemistry teacher for five years in Dallas ISD

and Mansfield ISD. This experience allowed her to see how understanding and support impacted her adolescent students. During residency she has been actively involved in mentoring serving on the Medical Student and Resident AACAP Peer Mentorship Program Committee. She is excited about the opportunity to further her education and training through a CAP fellowship, where she can continue to advocate and support the mental health and well-being of children and adolescents.



Lucia Boettner, M.D.

Dr. Boettner completed her medical degree at the Universidad Católica Nuestra Señora de la Asunción Facultad de Ciencias de la Salud, Asunción in Paraguay and is completing her residency at Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center in Bronx, NY. Dr. Boettner presented a first author poster at the 2024 APA in New York titled "I Still Feel Off: Challenges in Discerning and Treating Comorbid Anxiety Disorders in Substance Use Disorder Diagnosis". Throughout her journey from Paraguay to New York City, she has been driven by her passion for helping children and adolescents. She is eager to advance her training in child and adolescent psychiatry to make a lasting impact on young patients and their families while acquiring new and innovative skills.



Courtney Chineme, D.O.

Dr. Chineme worked as a compounding pharmacy assistant and an emergency room scribe before medical school at Rowan University Osteopathic School of Medicine. During medical school, she was a leader and founder of the Black Collective at Rowan School of Medicine, serving as mentor, E-Board member, and Fundraising Chair. Courtney joined our child track residency at UT Southwestern with the goal to be a child psychiatrist that is dedicated to advocacy and provides structurally competent and compassionate care. Her mission of structural

competence will allow her to become a cultural psychiatrist that facilitates development, enhances function and de-stigmatizes mental illness within the Pan-African community.



Ari Gao, M.D.

Dr. Gao completed medical school at Baylor College of Medicine and is also completing his residency at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Ari has a passion for teaching. He serves on Baylor's UME Committee where he helped develop a new approach to teaching social determinants of health in the psychiatry clerkship and was selected to present a workshop on giving feedback to students at the national meeting of the Association of Directors of Medical Student Education in Psychiatry (ADMSEP). Ari loves working with children and finds this work honorable, meaningful, and something he can be proud of. He volunteered at Children's Health Dallas prior to medical school and looks forward to returning to Dallas for his training in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.



Hannah Gomez, M.D.

Prior to joining our Child Track Program at UT Southwestern, Dr. Gomez completed medical school at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Paul L. Foster School of Medicine where she was selected for the Scholars in Primary Care program focusing on rural health disparities. She also served as a Program Tutor and Peer Mentor for the Joint Admissions Medical Program. Her leadership roles included Teaching Assistant Captain at the Medical Student Teaching Center, and Founder of the Medical Student Peer Guidance Group. Considering these accomplishments, Hannah aspires to be a psychiatrist that emphasizes patient education, while also encouraging my patients past the hesitancy of seeking mental healthcare.



Alaa Hajeissa, M.D.

Dr. Hajeissa completed his medical education at Chicago Medical School at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine & Science and is completing his residency at the University of Illinois College of Medicine Peoria. During residency Alaa has served as chair of Illinois Psychiatric Society (IPS) Resident-Fellow Member (RFM) committee. His involvement in advocacy has allowed him to not only value individual patient care but also make an impact on a larger scale. Alaa wants to become a child and adolescent psychiatrist who helps individual families but also appreciates the community's needs and advocates for their interests.



Jaid Hall, M.D.

Dr. Hall completed her medical education at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Paul L. Foster School of Medicine. She is currently completing her residency at the University of Texas Health Science Center - San Antonio where she serves on the Psychotherapy Education Committee. Jaid is an active-duty Air Force physician and holds the rank of Captain. For Dr. Hall, becoming a child psychiatrist is not only a professional goal but also a personal mission to advocate for children, provide early intervention, and ensure that no child faces their struggles alone - a mission that aligns with her core values.



Caila Lavine, M.D.

Dr. Lavine completed her medical student education at University of Arizona College of Medicine – Tucson and is completing her residency at UT Southwestern where she serves as one of the chief residents. During residency Caila served as class representative during her PGY 1 to PGY 3 years and was a co-leader for the Literature and Psychiatry group. Caila has been interested in Child and Adolescent since beginning residency. She has a publication titled "A Systematic Review of the Role of Parent Characteristics in Parent-Mediated Interventions for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder" in the Journal of Developmental and Physical Disabilities and her rotation at the Center for Autism Care during residency solidified her interest in continuing training in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. She looks forward to furthering her education and training here at UT Southwestern in the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship.



Vimita Patel, M.D.

Dr. Patel completed her medical school education at Saint Louis University School of Medicine and is also completing her residency at Saint Louis University School of Medicine where she is a resident representative. Vimita is the first author on a recent book chapter publication titled "Mental Health and Common Psychiatric Disorders associated with Aging" and on a feature perspective titled "Current Screening Tests for Alzheimer's Disease – Implications for Clinicians." Dr. Patel intends to be a child psychiatrist who can provide patients tools they need to navigate their emotional landscapes and build their resilience.



Vismaya Joseph, M.D.

Dr. Joseph joins us as our inaugural Community Track CAP fellow. She completed her medical school education at Government Medical College, Kottayam, India. She is completing her residency at Baptist Health - University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (U.A.M.S.) Psychiatry Residency Program. After her graduation from medical school, Vismaya practiced as a physician at the National Rural Health Clinic in Kerala, India where she treated patients with diverse backgrounds and advocated on their behalf. Here she helped organize a monthly suicide awareness and prevention of lifestyle diseases advocacy campaign for mothers within the underserved community surrounding the clinic. Dr Joseph wants to pursue child psychiatry because it gives her the best opportunity to treat and engage with those that have been marginalized by society and have an early impact that can in a way pay dividends well into their adulthood.

Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry Fellow



Jeffrey Bogard, M.D. University of Kansas School of Medicine

Forensic Psychiatry Fellows



Ethan Doyle Hinds III, M.D. University of Texas Health Science Center – San Antonio



Arianna Sewell, M.D., M.H.S. Morehouse School of Medicine



Ali-Noor Jessani, D.O.

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Rachel Beck, M.D. UT Southwestern Medical Center