Vermont Center on Behavior & Health

University of Vermont

The Vermont Center on Behavior and Health (VCBH) located at the University of Vermont (UVM) Larner College of Medicine (LCOM) is recruiting for a postdoctoral research fellowship funded by NIH in our internationally-recognized center of excellence for substance use disorder research.

Working with **Elias M. Klemperer, PhD** and **Stephen T. Higgins, PhD,** the postdoctoral fellow will help to conduct tobacco control and tobacco regulatory research. Our research includes a broad range of methodological approaches, including randomized clinical trials, a naturalistic longitudinal cohort study, and analysis of nationally representative datasets. Specific opportunities include contributing to:

- A NIDA/FDA-funded R01 investigating the impact of reduced nicotine cigarettes and e-cigarettes among dual users
- A NIDA-funded R01 exploring fine-grained dynamic patterns and trajectories of dual cigarette and e-cigarette use
- Utilize existing data sets to examine questions in tobacco regulatory science and potential impacts on vulnerable populations

Drs. Klemperer and Higgins and our more than 30-year training program have an exceptional track record of helping fellows establish successful careers as independent investigators.

Eligibility: Applicants must have completed their training in psychology or a related discipline and be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Outstanding trainees are selected on the basis of scholastic record, productivity, and commitment to a career in substance use disorder research. Individuals must be highly motivated, possess initiative, and a strong desire to learn and expand their interests and expertise.

Appointment: 2-3 years

Benefits: Stipend and travel funds supported by an NIH Institutional Training Award

For more information: Contact Dr. Klemperer (elias.klemperer@med.uvm.edu)

To apply: Send an application form (available by request from Dr. Klemperer), cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of research interests, and three letters of reference to Dr. Klemperer.

About us:
   The VCBH, established in 2013, is an interdisciplinary center of research excellence committed to investigating relationships between personal behavior patterns (i.e., lifestyle) and risk for chronic disease and premature death. Unhealthy or risk behaviors are overrepresented among socioeconomically disadvantaged populations and are major contributors to the problem of health disparities. The VCBH's work seeks to develop effective interventions and policies to promote healthy behavior. The VCBH resides within the UVM LCOM Department of Psychiatry, with additional investigators, collaborators, and advisors across 15 LCOM academic departments, seven UVM colleges, and five other universities. The VCBH is further strengthened by interdisciplinary collaborations with key community healthcare leaders and distinguished scientific advisory panels.
   Burlington, Vermont is located in the beautiful Lake Champlain region and has continually been voted one of the nicest cities in which to live as well as one of America's most "fit" cities due to the four seasons of outdoor activities. Burlington is a great place for families, boasting excellent schools, a culturally-rich environment, and close proximity to Boston and Montreal.