



**Postdoctoral Training in Clinical Neuropsychology
Adult Neuropsychology
Cambridge Health Alliance/ Harvard Medical School
2023-2025**

The Cambridge Health Alliance is a community-based distributed hospital system, which includes The Cambridge Hospital, a primary teaching hospital for the Harvard Medical School. We offer full-time two-year postdoctoral training opportunities in adult neuropsychology. A Harvard Medical School appointment as Fellow is also offered for the duration of the fellowship. Our objective is to provide intensive training in the neuropsychological assessment of a range of adult outpatient populations with primary neurological, medical, psychiatric, and developmental disorders. Outpatient referrals stem from neurology, primary care, and psychiatry divisions, and include evaluations of patients who present with a variety of neurological disorders, such as dementia, movement disorders, head trauma, seizure disorders, vascular disorders, metabolic disorders, and sleep disorders. Psychiatric referrals include mood, anxiety and psychotic disorders, as well as complex trauma, and polysubstance abuse. Patients with neurodevelopmental disorders such as learning, attention-deficit/hyperactivity, and autism spectrum disorders are also evaluated. We do brief neuropsychological screens in primary care. There is also a minor rotation of inpatient neuropsychological evaluations (medical-surgical, psychiatric, geriatric units). Fellows sometimes work on an assessment team with psychological assessors to coordinate patient care and integrate comprehensive assessments. The majority of our patients are from ethnic, racial and culturally diverse backgrounds, and fellows develop strong skills in multicultural neuropsychological assessments and work with medical interpreters as needed.

Training Experiences

The neuropsychology training program adheres to guidelines proposed by the Joint Task Force of Division 40 of the APA and the Houston Conference on Specialty Education and Training in Clinical Psychology to meet eligibility requirements for ABPP Board Certification in the specialty of Clinical Neuropsychology. To meet these goals, fellows conduct two outpatient evaluations per week, and one to two cognitive screens per week. They receive two to three hours of supervision weekly. They also have the opportunity to engage in a cognitive remediation rotation. They complete various intensive seminars over the course of two years within the hospital and Harvard Medical. First year seminars include adult neuropsychology, and a clinical case seminar (using a fact-finding method). In their second year, fellows participate in a neurology rotation in which they shadow a neurologist in clinic. They also participate in a brain-cutting seminar, a case seminar, Psychiatry Grand Rounds, and a joint virtual lectures series between Cambridge Health Alliance and the Boston VA neuropsychology programs. The wider Harvard Medical School system provides fellows with other diverse didactics. Opportunities for advanced training in psychological assessment are also available and multidisciplinary interaction with psychiatry, neurology, and geriatrics is typical. The adult postdoctoral fellows are also part of a larger psychology postdoctoral fellowship program at Cambridge Health Alliance and meet weekly as a group with the Director of Postdoctoral Training to discuss professional development issues for psychologists. Fellows are provided with teaching and mentoring opportunities of neuropsychology interns, psychology interns and psychology practica students. The program, consistent with its scientist practitioner approach requires the fellow to participate in at least one research project culminating in a publication in a peer-reviewed journal or presentation at a national scientific conference within the two-year training. Each fellow is mentored by a neuropsychology training director and a postdoctoral training director.

Postdoctoral Training Director:

Marla Eby, Ph.D.; Co-Interim Chief of Psychology, Director of Psychology Postdoctoral Training; Assistant Professor in Psychology, Harvard Medical School

Neuropsychology Training Director:

Margaret Lanca, Ph.D.; Director of Neuropsychology and Cognitive Wellness; Assistant Professor in Psychology, Harvard Medical School

Core Neuropsychology Training Faculty:

Karen Postal, Ph.D., ABPP, Supervising Neuropsychologist; Clinical Instructor in Psychology, Department of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

Nancy Hebben, Ph.D., ABPP, Supervising Neuropsychologist; Assistant Professor of Psychology, Department of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

Laura Philips, Ph.D., Supervising Neuropsychologist, Clinical Instructor in Psychology, Department of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

Kelly Jones, Ph.D., Supervising Neuropsychologist

Emily Wilner, Psy.D., Supervising Neuropsychologist, Clinical Instructor in Psychology, Harvard Medical School

Qualifications and Application

Qualified applicants must have completed an APA/CPA-approved clinical internship and all the requirements for a doctorate in an APA/CPA-approved clinical psychology graduate program. Candidates are also expected to have completed requirements for the Ph.D. or Psy.D in Clinical or Counseling Psychology by the fall of 2023. Cambridge Health Alliance is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer, and women and minority candidates are strongly encouraged to apply. Facility with verbal and written expression, as well as an excellent academic record is essential. Selected applicants will be contacted to set up interviews, which will be conducted in early January. Individual interviews will be arranged with the Neuropsychology Training Director, other neuropsychology training faculty, and the Director of Post-Doctoral Training.

Starting Date and Benefits: The fellowships begin on August 31, 2023 and the stipends are set at \$52,760, in line with the NIH benchmarks. Benefits include sick leave, health insurance and four weeks' vacation time.

Application to our program should be done on-line: The closing date for applications is **December 16, 2022**. We will be offering virtual interviews this year. An online brochure can be found at the following website: www.challiance.org (Click on "Psychology Programs" under "Academics"). Applications should be submitted through the APPIC APPA CAS system, which may be accessed through the following link: <https://appicpostdoc.liaisoncas.com>

For additional specific program information please contact: Margaret Lanca, Ph.D. mlanca@challiance.org

Please note: The fellowship program is NOT participating in the APPCN match program in 2023.

If you have any questions about the training program, or the application process, please call the Psychology Training Coordinator at 617-665-1183 or email Ms. Fiona McKenzie at fmckenzie@challiance.org.