



Fellowship in Compass Program, Telehealth and Provider Support

BC Children's Hospital

Full Time (1 year) OR Part Time Fellowship (may be combined with other fellowship or training opportunities) – Start Date between (July-October 2021)

Mental Health and Concurrent Disorders

The UBC Department of Psychiatry is inviting eligible candidates to apply for a full-time or part time Fellowship in the **Compass Clinic**.

The University of British Columbia (UBC) is a global centre for research and teaching. Surrounded by the beauty of the Canadian West, UBC embraces bold new ways of thinking that attract exceptional students and faculty. It is a place where innovative ideas are nurtured in a globally connected research community, providing unparalleled opportunities to learn, discover and contribute.

Faculty members, students, staff and alumni in the UBC Faculty of Medicine are actively engaged in innovative, leading edge research, education and community service on university and hospital campuses across the Province. Together we aim to create knowledge and advance learning that will make a vital contribution to the health of individuals and communities, locally, nationally, and internationally.

[Who the Fellow will work with and what will be the core of their work:](#)

Compass is a provider support program whose goal is to improve children and youth's (up to age 25) access to evidence based mental health care close to home. We are the first provider support program in Canada, and the only program in North America that works with both mental health and substance use concerns. There are no exclusion criteria, and we support a variety of mental health concerns including mood and anxiety disorders, psychosis, youth who are active in their substance use, trauma, medically complex youth, neuropsychiatric disorders (including ASD, FASD, and ADHD) as well as issues affecting schools and families. We support children and youth who are living in many environments including their home, hospital emergency departments and other inpatient units. All of our care is multidisciplinary in nature, and we strive to provide culturally safe and Trauma Informed Care. Our goal is to build capacity in rural and remote communities, so that children and youth can receive care close to home.

The fellow on Compass will work closely with their primary supervisor and other team members in the Compass Clinic including child and adolescent psychiatrists, clinical psychologists, social workers, psychiatric nurses, and clinical counsellors. The fellow will participate in daily team meetings and will have opportunities for involvement in assessment, treatment, community consultation, teaching and research. The position will be tailored to the fellow, allowing the Fellow to further develop specific areas of expertise. This in an innovative program, where the fellow will be able participate in the clinical care, teaching and research depending on the fellow's area of interest and educational needs.

Should you want to discuss this exciting opportunity further, please contact Dr. Jennifer Russel, Clinical Director of Compass Program at jrussel4@cw.bc.ca.

[Details of the clinical/research training experience:](#)

The clinical work on Compass primarily revolves around providing indirect consultation and telehealth consultation to providers across BC about a wide range of complex mental health and



substance use disorders which affect children and youth up to age 25. As a fellow, you will be able to participate/ lead these calls, and develop an expertise in learning to work with rural and remote populations. Given the primary goal of capacity building, the fellow will also have unique opportunities to participate in the education arm of the program, including the development of Toolkits, Webinars, and other educational opportunities. There are also ample opportunities to work with our psychologist to contribute to the research in this growing field.

To apply for this rewarding career development opportunity, please forward a letter of intent (maximally two pages), accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae and names of three references to:

Dr. Martha J. Ignaszewski

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Director, Postgraduate Training, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, BC Children's Hospital

Applicants will have a medical degree and successful completion of a MD Residency Training Program &/OR a PhD in mental health or related fields. Applicants must be eligible for licensure/registration with the relevant health professions college (ie. College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC, College of Psychologists of BC).

Applications will be accepted until January 31, 2021

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. This position will operate out of the Children and Women's Mental Health and Concurrent Disorders at BC Children's Hospital.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. All qualified persons are encouraged to apply. UBC is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. However, Canadian and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.