# VA Advanced Postdoctoral Fellowship in Women's Health



San Francisco, California

The San Francisco VA Medical Center (SFVAMC) / University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) is seeking candidates for a two-year advanced postdoctoral fellowship in women's health. We are a team of researchers from diverse disciplines aiming to understand the unique challenges facing women veterans. Our research focuses on improving the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of relevant health issues.

The ideal fellowship candidate will have a demonstrated interest in women's health. The candidate will have opportunities to analyze pre-collected data and disseminate findings, design new research projects, and contribute to ongoing studies.

# **Program Focus: Women Veterans**

Infertility **PTSD** 

Ovarian Aging/Menopause Psychophysiology

Eating and Nutrition Fear Conditioning

Psychoneuroendocrinology Pain Sleep HPA/HPG axis in stress

Osteoporosis Psychoneuroimmunology

Gender Dysphoria Metabolomics **Urinary Incontinence** Sex Differences

**Breast Cancer** 



# The Fellowship

The Veterans Administration sponsors a two-year research fellowship in women's health. The overarching goal of the fellowship is to provide focused, structured, mentored research training for individuals across diverse disciplines who are committed to becoming leaders in investigating health issues of women and to pursuing a career in women's health.

#### Curriculum

The fellows will conduct research and writing projects under the supervision of senior faculty. Access to didactic courses, experiential training and multidisciplinary research mentoring will be provided. Fellows will devote up to 25% time to direct clinical care in the SFVAMC Women Veterans' Comprehensive Health Center.

# Community

The San Francisco VA Medical Center is affiliated with the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), one of the top ranked medical schools in the country. In addition to its broader commitment to the veteran population and education, SFVAMC has the largest funded research program in the Veterans Health Administration with more than \$87 million in annual research expenditures. Our Medical Center is the top-ranked VA Medical Center in terms of research grants.

#### Requirements

The San Francisco VA Advanced Fellowship in Women's Health Program will enroll 2 fellows each year. One fellow will be a physician and the other a fellow in an associated health field such as psychology, nursing or pharmacology. Applicants must have a Medical Degree (MD) and have completed an approved residency or Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD). For psychology applicants, an APA accredited doctorate in clinical or counseling psychology and APA accredited internship is required. All requirements for the doctoral degree must be completed prior to the start of the fellowship year. US citizenship is required.

## **Core Faculty**

Karla Kerlikowske, MD, director Sabra Inslicht, PhD, co-director Leslee Subak, MD, co-director Amy Byers, PhD, MPH Beth Cohen, MD Shira Maguen, PhD Thomas Neylan, MD Aoife O'Donovan, PhD Juno Obedin-Maliver, MD Karen Seal, MD Irina Strigo, PhD Anne Schafer, MD

# **How To Apply**

Deadline: Application review will start on December 15, 2018 and will continue on a rolling basis until filled.

A VA-based faculty mentor or co-mentor must be identified. Applicants should provide:

- Letter of interest, including a brief summary of educational, research, and clinical research
  experiences relevant to the fellowship, a summary of your training needs and goals, and a statement
  of your career goals.
- 2. A curriculum vita
- 3. Three letters of recommendation from research mentors

Please include #1 and #2 in a combined PDF. Letters should be emailed directly by recommenders.

# Please direct application materials or questions to:

Psychology PhD applicants:

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MD and other Allied Health applicants:

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