**Post-Doctoral Fellow Position at Dalhousie**

**in Multidisciplinary Addictions Research**

### Position Description

We have one post-doctoral fellow position available that is partially funded through an NSHRF Scotia Support training grant in addictions research, awarded to Dr. Sherry Stewart and Dr. Sean Barrett in the departments of Psychiatry and Psychology/Neuroscience at Dalhousie University. The goal of the Scotia support grant is to provide a comprehensive multidisciplinary addictions research training program that will enable the trainee to acquire knowledge and skills in two or more of the addictions sub-disciplines in which the PI's have expertise and funding. These sub-disciplines include **behavioral pharmacology** (e.g., NSERC- Barrett, 2016-21; NSHRF - Stewart et al., 2012-16); **neuropsychopharmacology** (e.g., CIHR-Nova Scotia Regional Partnership Program - Good, Barrett, Stewart, et al., 2010-2018; **PTSD – cannabis comorbidity** (e.g., Nova Scotia Health Authority Research Fund – Stewart, Barrett, et al., 2016-2018); **cognition** (e.g., National Centre for Responsible Gambling - Stewart et al., 2014-16); **epidemiology** (e.g., Manitoba Gambling Research Program - Stewart et al., 2013-16); and **addictions prevention and treatment** (e.g., CIHR CRISM demonstration project- Stewart, Conrod, Barrett et al., 2015-20).

The primary role of the Postdoctoral Fellow will be to help lead the implementation of at least two of the projects described above, with opportunities to work on other ongoing and archival projects. Duties will consist primarily of 1) management of two of the ongoing projects described above, co-supervision of undergraduate research, overseeing recruitment and  data collection for the two chosen projects above and other project(s) of interest, data management,  and assisting with research ethics correspondence; and 2) data analysis and manuscript preparation.  Particular emphasis will be placed on data analysis and manuscript preparation. In addition to this work, the  post-doc will have access to various academic and training experiences by virtue of involvement with each of the PI's labs, as well as the Centre for Addiction Research at Dalhousie (CARD).

This is a 12-month, full-time, contract position, renewable depending on funding. The position start date is negotiable between September 1, 2016, and January 1, 2017. The salary will be negotiated, dependent on the extent of relevant skills and experience.

**Qualifications/Requirements**

The successful candidate will have obtained a Ph.D. in clinical, cognitive or health psychology or neuroscience (or a closely related discipline) as of the start date (or have completed all relevant requirements for the PhD by the start date if graduating in spring 2016). A minimum of 3 years of human subject research experience in a relevant topic area (e.g., behavioral pharmacology or addictions prevention and treatment) is required.

The highest preference will be given to candidates who demonstrate strong statistical skills (e.g., structural equation modeling, cluster analysis, meta-analysis, and mixed model analysis). Clinical trials experience and community collaboration skills would be assets. A demonstrated record of independent scientific productivity, as evidenced by a history of first-author, peer-reviewed publications, is required.

The successful candidate will also possess excellent attention to detail, strong communication, interpersonal, and leadership skills, and will be responsive to deadlines and performance feedback. Candidates must possess a strong ability for self-directed learning and production of independent scholarly work. The ability to work effectively in a fast-paced research environment with minimal supervision is essential, as is the ability to effectively lead and direct other students and research assistants and to collaborate effectively with a multidisciplinary team.

To apply, interested applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, 2 letters of recommendation, 1-page statement of interest, letter stating their qualifications for and interest in the PDF addictions training program, and their graduate transcripts to Dr. Sherry Stewart and Dr. Sean Barrett via their RA Pam Collins @ pam.collins@dal.ca. Applicants who meet the general criteria and have additional questions can send any additional queries to the same address. Applications will be accepted through September 1, 2016, or until the position is filled.