INFORMATION SHEET

The Clinical Psychology Residency Program (CPRP) in the Department of Behavioral Health at Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC) is one of the Army’s four clinical psychology residency post-graduate training programs for clinical psychologists. Other Army affiliated programs are located at Madigan Army Medical Center, WA; Brooke Army Medical Center, TX; and Womack Army Medical Center, NC. Post-doctoral residents are competitively selected from clinical psychology interns graduating from one of the U.S. Army’s clinical psychology internship programs or as direct accession candidates who have, or will, complete an American Psychological Association accredited internship. All CPRP residents are active duty, uniformed officers in the U.S. Army. Once selected, residents are assigned to the CPRP thru official military channels.

Residents’ training has two primary foci – advanced application of clinical psychology within the military (military psychology) and development as an U.S. Army officer and leader. Particular emphasis is placed on providing culturally-competent, empirically-validated treatment within a multidisciplinary setting and conducting psychological assessment. Residents participate in two year-long rotations. The primary rotation is in an Embedded Behavioral Health clinic where the resident is assigned to provide behavioral health services to a battalion-sized element (e.g., Infantry, Aviation, Engineering, Artillery, EOD, or MP Battalion) in the 25th Infantry Division or 8th Theater Sustainment Command. The goal of this rotation is to provide advance clinic training and exposure to the rigors associated with acting as a Behavior Health Officer, the primary duty of all Army psychologists immediately following training. The secondary rotation is in the Specialty Evaluation Clinic located at TAMC that provides residents the opportunity to conduct specialized psychological evaluations of Service Members as well as provides the opportunity to develop clinical supervision skills. In addition to the two primary rotations, residents have the opportunity to participate in a wide
variety of exciting and interesting military-focused didactics and training. Physical fitness training is also an integral part of the CPRP at TAMC as all U.S. Army officers are required to maintain the standards of fitness established by the Army. The residency is an intensive, full-time, 12-month program that offers depth and breadth of military psychology experiences in order to prepare residents for their follow-on assignment within the Army.

For more information on this program, please go to http://www.goarmy.com/amedd/education/hpsp.html or contact the Director of Training for the Clinical Psychology Residency Program, MAJ James Christensen, PsyD.

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