



Research opportunities: Investigating management of developmental and mental health conditions in pediatric primary care

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Our diverse and multidisciplinary research team welcomes Stanford trainees (residents/fellows/postdocs) and students (medical/undergraduate/graduate/doctoral) to join one of several projects, based on their interest, including investigation of primary care management of developmental delays, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, autism spectrum disorder, learning problems, anxiety, and depression. *The ultimate goal of these studies is to improve quality of care and mitigate disparities in care for children with developmental and mental health conditions in this primary care network.*

Examples for focused research studies that can be led by a trainee/student:

- 1) Investigating inappropriate use of benzodiazepines in the management of children with anxiety or depression
- 2) Assessing PCP adherence to guidelines in medication management of children with ADHD
- 3) Improving documentation of race/ethnicity data for children seen in primary care (currently 33% with missing data) - an important step towards mitigating disparities
- 4) Investigating sociodemographic disparities in detection of language delay
- 5) Developing medical education content for PCPs on management of children with ADHD

MENTORSHIP

- The trainee/student will receive excellent mentorship from experienced mentors in health services research methodology, developmental-behavioral pediatrics research, applied clinical informatics, medical education, and quality improvement.
- The motivated trainee/student will have the opportunity to be a member of our interdisciplinary research team, working with physicians and data scientists who use novel methods to interpret real world healthcare data for research and quality of care.
- The trainee/student will have the opportunity to be an author on a peer-reviewed publication in a medical journal (see examples below).

QUALIFICATIONS

- Trainee/student at Stanford with interest in Pediatrics / Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics / Psychiatry / Health Equity / Quality Improvement / Machine Learning.
- Experience with statistical/programming software (R, python) is a benefit, but not required.
- Candidates with excellent written and oral communication skills are preferred.

TIME COMMITMENT

- Expected time commitment of 3-4 hours a week for a minimum of 6 months.



CONTACT INFO

- Please contact Dr. Barnett by email and include your CV: ybarnett@stanford.edu

RECENT STUDIES FROM OUR GROUP (*=trainee, **=medical student):

Anxiety and Depression Treatment in Primary Care Pediatrics.

Pediatrics. 2023 May 1;151(5):e2022058846. doi: 10.1542/peds.2022-058846.

Lester TR*, Herrmann JE**, Barnett Y, Gardner RM, Feldman HM, Huffman LC.

Detection of Speech-Language Delay in the Primary Care Setting: An EHR Investigation.

Journal of developmental and behavioral pediatrics. 2023 Apr 1;44(3):e196-e203.

Frelinger C*, Gardner RM, Huffman LC, Whitgob EE, Feldman HM, Barnett Y.

Continuity of Care in Primary Care for Young Children with Chronic Conditions.

Academic Pediatrics. 2023 Mar;23(2):314-321. doi: 10.1016/j.acap.2022.07.012.

Barnett Y, Gardner RM, Huffman LC, Feldman HM, Sanders LM.

Primary Care Diagnosis and Treatment of Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder in School-Age Children: Trends and Disparities During the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Journal of developmental and behavioral pediatrics. 2022 Sep 1;43(7):386-392.

Barnett Y, Dahlen A, Huffman LC, Feldman HM.

Medication Management of Anxiety and Depression by Primary Care Pediatrics Providers: A Retrospective Electronic Health Record Study.

Frontiers in pediatrics. 2022 Mar 17;10:794722.

Lester, TR*, Barnett Y, Gardner, RM, Feldman HM, Huffman LC.

Rate of Pediatrician Recommendations for Behavioral Treatment for Preschoolers with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder Diagnosis or Related Symptoms.

JAMA pediatrics. 2022 Jan 1;176(1):92-94.

Barnett Y, Gardner RM, Posada J, Huffman LC, Feldman HM.