

## A Chance to Change Lives: Clinical Research Fellowship in Adult Neurodevelopmental Disabilities/Disorders

University of Toronto, Department of Psychiatry

Azrieli Adult Neurodevelopmental Centre & Adult Neurodevelopmental Services, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)

### Are You Ready to Make a Difference?

If you are passionate about advancing care for transition-age youth and adults with neurodevelopmental disabilities (NDDs), this fellowship is your opportunity to become a leader in a field that truly matters. We invite you to join us at the Azrieli Adult Neurodevelopmental Centre and CAMH to embark on a journey of profound clinical growth and research discovery.

### Your Transformative Fellowship Experience

This isn't just a training program; it's a chance to immerse yourself in a world of compassionate care and pioneering science.

#### In your clinical role, you will:

- Gain hands-on expertise in assessing and treating mental health in adults with autism, intellectual disabilities, and other NDDs.
- Become an integral part of our multidisciplinary team.  
*You will work closely with social workers, developmental service workers, self-advocates, family advisors, behavioural therapists, occupational therapists, clinical psychologists, and psychiatrists — all united by a shared commitment to our patients.*
- Explore diverse therapeutic approaches, with opportunities to contribute to group therapies and provide liaison services to inpatients.

#### In your research role, you will:

- Be at the forefront of novel intervention trials, including:
  - ✓ **Psychedelic-Assisted Therapy:** Participating in groundbreaking trials using psychedelics to support autistic adults.
  - ✓ **Pharmacological Innovation:** Exploring innovative uses of repurposed cannabinoids in studies for adults with intellectual disabilities.
  - ✓ **Neurostimulation:** Investigating non-invasive brain stimulation techniques to help autistic individuals.

Beyond these trials, you will also have opportunities to delve deeper into the broader clinical and imaging neuroscience research focused on ADHD, autism, and intellectual disabilities. We are

committed to your development, providing the flexibility and dedicated time to pursue your academic interests, analyze data, publish your findings, and share your work with the world.

## An environment where you will thrive

You won't be just a trainee — you'll be a valued member of our community. You will join a core research team of master's and PhD students, a dedicated research coordinator, and enthusiastic undergraduate students. This team forms the heart of the Azrieli Adult Neurodevelopmental Centre — a vibrant, 40+ member collective of leading scientists, trainees, and patient and family advisors shaping the future of NDD care.

You will be guided by a supervisor recognized by the University of Toronto with an Outstanding Mentorship Award, ensuring you receive the support and inspiration needed to achieve your goals.

## Don't just take our word for it. Here is what your predecessors say:

*“Absolutely and wholeheartedly recommended. An exceptionally supportive, passionate, flexible, and dedicated supervisor and mentor with world-class expertise in clinical care and research. This fellowship was truly inspiring and prepared me to open my own adult autism clinic and dedicate myself to research in my home country. Continuous collaboration with Dr. Lin and his team is planned.” — Graduated Clinical Research Fellow*

*“A lifetime mentor who is patient, flexible, and inspired by the utmost passion for using research to advance the field and contribute to patient care. Caring, genuine, thoughtful, and very considerate. A lifetime role model.” — Graduated Master’s Student*

## The Details of Your Journey

### Training Start Date:

July 1, 2026 (to align with the academic year, though start dates are flexible and negotiable).

### Duration:

One year, with the option to extend to a second year.

### Stipend Availability:

Approximately \$85,000 CAD per annum as per the standard of University of Toronto Training Program. Sponsored and self-funded candidates are also welcome. For more information, please visit [University of Toronto Psychiatry Fellowship Program website](#).

## Ready to Take the Next Step?

### Your application should include:

- Your updated Curriculum Vitae (CV)

- Copies of your MD and specialty certificate (or a letter of good standing for Canadian residents in their last year)
- A personal letter of intent outlining your passion and your career aspirations.
- Contact information for three references who know you well (one must be your Residency Program Director)

### **Application Period:**

For a **July 1, 2026** start date, applications will be accepted between **September 1, 2025, and December 1, 2025** (negotiable). Applications are submitted via the Psychiatry Fellowship Program's application platform.

### **Let's Talk**

Have questions? Wondering if this is the right path for you? We would love to hear from you. Please reach out to:

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*An informal chat is warmly encouraged and comes with no obligation. We look forward to connecting with you.*