



The Phoenix VA Health Care System (PVAHCS) is seeking candidates for two Clinical Fellowship positions, to begin no later than October 1, 2011.

PVAHCS offers both inpatient and outpatient services. We have approximately 132 Inpatient beds, 80 Nursing Home Care Unit beds and 40 Mental Health beds. We are a teaching hospital, which allows us to train medical interns, residents, and fellows in their specialties. We have more than 55 teaching agreements and affiliations with 30 academic institutions. Each year, more than 700 physicians, nurses, and health care professionals receive training at the Phoenix VA.

Each CFY will gain experience in evaluation and treatment of adults with cognitive communication impairments, aphasia, dysarthria, dysphagia, and dysphonia. He or she will also learn to assess patients for use of assistive technology, to perform fluoroscopic and endoscopic swallow evaluations, and to perform endoscopic voice evaluations and post-laryngectomy voice restoration. Patients are seen along the continuum of care, including acute/intensive, outpatient, and long-term care. Each CFY can expect close interaction with a variety of specialty services, including ENT, rehab medicine, dietary, respiratory therapy, and OT/PT. We also work closely with a large and very active OEF/OIF population, addressing their speech, cognitive and memory concerns.

Phoenix is American's fifth largest city, with affordable housing and an extensive freeway system that connects all parts of the valley. Arizona has vast national forest lands that provide a variety of recreational activities, such as skiing, horseback riding, hunting, fishing, boating, hiking, and camping. The Phoenix metropolitan area has an abundance of golf courses, parks, public swimming pools, and bike paths. For the sports enthusiast, there are professional baseball, basketball, football, and hockey teams. Those interested in culture will enjoy world-class concerts, theatre, shopping, and dining.

To apply, please mail two (2) letters of reference, an official transcript, and a letter of intent summarizing pertinent coursework and experience in medical speech-language pathology to:

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Application packets should be received no later than February 28, 2011.

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