**Resident Application for Toronto Addis Ababa Psychiatry Program (TAAPP) Trips**

Ethiopia, situated in the horn of Africa, has a population of approximately 100 million people.  Up until 2003, there were only 9 practicing psychiatrists in the country, all of whom have been trained abroad.

The **Toronto Addis Ababa Psychiatry Project (TAAPP)** was created in 2003 to meet the educational needs of a new three-year training program in psychiatry at Addis Ababa University as well as the need of the Department of Psychiatry in Toronto, Canada, to develop international educational outreach expertise. The first 7 Ethiopian psychiatry residents graduated in 2006, and when this year’s class graduates there will be 70 psychiatrists in county.

There will be two trips per year, one in the Spring and one in the Fall, around October. Two staff and one resident commit to a 4-week block which involves classroom teaching and clinic supervision. There is no direct clinical care.

Applications for TAAPP trips will be announced to residents (PGY3,4,5) via the Postgraduate Education Office in the Department of Psychiatry. Senior residents are given preference.

**The application process will consist of:**

1. One page letter of intent briefly describing reasons for interest in participation in the program, goals and expectations, and any other relevant experience.
2. Up-to-date CV
3. Interview by the Selection Committee

Applications will be ranked by the Selection Committee and 2 people will be selected for the 2018 trips, as well as the creation of a waiting list for the following year(s).

**Minimum Program Requirements**

1. Applicants must be enrolled in their PGY4 year of training or higher at the time of their proposed trip (ie. can apply in PGY3 for the following year).
2. Applicants must be in good standing with the Psychiatry Residency Training Program office, PGME and the College of Physicians and Surgeons
3. Applicants must be meeting or exceeding expectations in all CanMEDS competencies
4. Applicants must not have any disciplinary actions pending against them at the Faculty of Medicine or with the CPSO
5. Applicants must be medically fit for travel, and cleared by their attending physician if there are any health conditions that might pose a concern during the trip.
6. Applicants must be prepared for a cross-cultural experience and available to attend pre-departure briefings.

**Deadline for application: July 14, 2017**

**Interviews will be held: Monday July 24 6-8 pm, Mount Sinai Hospital, 9th Floor, in the large group room.**

Please submit completed applications to Anne Marie Vico at:

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For more details about the application process, please contact Lisa Andermann at lisa.andermann@sinaihealthsystem.ca

For more information about TAAPP please see the Toronto Addis Ababa Academic Collaboration website at: <http://www.taaac.com/>