Thank you for your interest in learning more about the Child and Family Therapy (CFT) clinic at the Kennedy Krieger Institute!

**Application Process:**
The application for practicum students consists of a cover letter with stated interest, a current CV, and two letters of recommendation. Completed applications can be emailed to Dr. John Persampiere at the Persampiere@kennedykrieger.org. They can also be physically mailed to the below address though email is preferable. Applications are welcome between the months of December – February with the deadline being February 15th. In person interviews are conducted at the training facility during the month of February and very much look forward to meeting perspective trainees.

Location Address

Child and Family Therapy Clinic  
ATTN: Dr. John Persampiere  
Kennedy Krieger Institute  
1750 East Fairmount Ave, 4th Floor  
Baltimore, MD 21231

**Training Program:**
The CFT externship program is an advanced training placement, where externs train alongside of doctoral interns in our APA accredited internship program. Extern students work two days per week and Mondays are mandatory, as all trainees and supervisory staff attend our weekly clinic meeting. We typically accept between 6 – 9 externs each year and students train from September through June.

**Supervision:**
Practicum students participate in an extensive clinic orientation and receive 1 hour of individual supervision by a licensed psychologist and 3 hours of group supervision each week. Individual and group supervision meetings occur in person at the training facilities. Supervision will never be hosted via conference call or internet software (Skype, FaceTime).

**Population Served:**
The primary population served by the CFT clinic includes school-aged children, adolescents, and families with common referrals including anxiety, phobias, poor impulse control, executive dysfunction, adjustment challenges, stress management, mood regulation difficulties, depression, oppositional/defiant behavior, academic underachievement, trauma, and intense family conflict.

Students interested in learning about our clinic be provided with the below link.

If students would like further information, please contact:
Dr. John Persampiere
Persampiere@kennedykrieger.org
443-923-7372 (Office)