

# VA Advanced Postdoctoral Fellowship in Women's Health

San Francisco, California

The San Francisco VA Medical Center (SFVAMC) / University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) is seeking candidates for a two-year advanced postdoctoral fellowship in women's health. We are a team of researchers from diverse disciplines aiming to understand the unique challenges facing women veterans. Our research focuses on improving the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of relevant women's health issues.

The ideal fellowship candidate will have a demonstrated interest in women's health. The candidate will have opportunities to analyze pre-collected data and disseminate findings, design new research projects, and contribute to ongoing studies.

## Program Focus: Women Veterans

PTSD	Eating and Nutrition
Psychophysiology	Pain
Fear Conditioning	Sleep
Psychoneuroendocrinology	Osteoporosis
Psychoneuroimmunology	Gender Dysphoria
Metabolomics	Urinary Incontinence
Sex Differences	Breast Cancer
Gynecology outcomes	Heart Disease
Ovarian Aging/Menopause	Gastric Bypass
Reproductive Health	Microbiome



## The Fellowship

The Veterans Administration sponsors a two-year research fellowship in women's health. The overarching goal of the fellowship is to provide focused, structured, mentored research training for individuals across diverse disciplines who are committed to becoming leaders in investigating health issues of women and to pursuing a career in women's health.

## Curriculum

The fellows will conduct research and writing projects under the supervision of senior faculty. Access to didactic courses, experiential training and multidisciplinary research mentoring will be provided. Fellows will devote up to 25% time to direct clinical care in the SFVAMC Women Veterans' Comprehensive Health Center.

## Community

The San Francisco VA Medical Center is affiliated with the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), one of the top ranked medical schools in the country. In addition to its broader commitment to the veteran population and education, SFVAMC has the largest funded research program in the Veterans Health Administration with more than \$87 million in annual research expenditures. Our Medical Center is the top-ranked VA Medical Center in terms of research grants.

## Requirements

The San Francisco VA Advanced Fellowship in Women's Health Program will enroll 2 fellows each year. One fellow will be a physician and the other a fellow in an associated health field such as psychology, nursing or pharmacology. Applicants must have a Medical Degree (MD) and have completed an approved residency or Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD). For psychology applicants, an APA accredited doctorate in clinical or counseling psychology and APA accredited internship is required. All requirements for the doctoral degree must be completed prior to the start of the fellowship year. US citizenship is required.

## Core Faculty

Karla Kerlikowske, MD, director  
Sabra Inslicht, PhD, co-director  
George Sawaya, MD, co-director  
Amy Byers, PhD, MPH  
Aoife O'Donovan, PhD  
Shira Maguen, PhD  
Carolyn Gibson, PhD

Thomas Neylan, MD  
Mitzi Hawkins, MD  
Karen Seal, MD  
Anne Schafer, MD  
Tiffany Kim, MD  
Anne Richards, MD  
Beth Cohen, MD  
Karen Wu, MD

## How To Apply

Deadline: Applications are now being accepted on a rolling basis and will continue until the positions are filled.

A VA-based faculty mentor or co-mentor must be identified. Applicants should provide:

1. A Letter of interest detailing the applicant's research experience, interests, and career goals, and proposed faculty mentor(s) from the list above or other faculty at the SFVAMC or UCSF.
2. A curriculum vita
3. Three letters of recommendation (at least 2 from current or recent research mentors)

Please include #1 and #2 in a combined PDF. Letters should be emailed directly by recommenders to Dr. Inslicht or Dr. Kerlikowske.

### Please direct application materials to:

*Psychology and Psychiatry applicants:*

Sabra Inslicht, Ph.D.: [sabra.inslicht@ucsf.edu](mailto:sabra.inslicht@ucsf.edu)

*Medicine and other Allied Health applicants:*

Karla Kerlikowske, MD: [karla.kerlikowske@ucsf.edu](mailto:karla.kerlikowske@ucsf.edu)

### For More Information:

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