

# Blanton-Peale

## Institute & Counseling Center

**Position:** Director of Psychiatric Services  
**Reports to:** Clinic Director  
**Status:** Salaried, Part-time employee (approximately 15 hours per week), Exempt

*Blanton-Peale thrives on diversity and highly encourages applications from people of color and diverse identities. Blanton-Peale offers an equal employment opportunity for all regardless of race, color, citizenship, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, veteran or reservist status, or any other category protected by federal, state, or local law.*

### Introduction

In today's world, we are all recognizing the vital importance of mental health care. At Blanton-Peale, we're focused on providing affordable and accessible, holistic, and culturally-responsive mental health services and we're training the next generation of mental health professionals. Blanton-Peale therapists walk with their clients through the challenges of life. They help them to heal, to grow, and to flourish. In 2021, we provided 41,000 sessions of affordable mental health care to New Yorkers who needed it most. This includes talk therapy and complementary psychiatric services. Our goal is to help each person become their best self, the person they were born to be, and to find their own resilience. And because we work with such a diverse set of clients, Blanton-Peale is a sought-after training ground. Early career and seasoned social workers, mental health counselors, psychiatrists and psychoanalysts, get the experience they need under the wise and watchful eyes of our expert supervisors. Our founders, Dr. Norman Vincent Peale and Dr. Smiley Blanton, were innovative, forward-leaning thinkers. In the midst of the Great Depression – a time of rising unemployment, tumult and pain – Drs. Peale and Blanton were among the first to address mental health alongside spiritual care.

**Summary of Position:** The Director of Psychiatric Services leads the psychiatric team which consists of part-time providers. The Director of Psychiatric Services provides psychiatric evaluation and consultation and works with clinic management to ensure quality of care. The Director of Psychiatric Services collaborates with both the Clinic Director and Office Manager to improve systems necessary for the efficient functioning of the Counseling Center's psychiatric services.

### Responsibilities Include:

- Supervises a staff of 3 to 5 part-time psychiatrists who are independent contractors

- Member of the bi-weekly High-Risk Committee and co-presides with the Clinic Director at Incident Committee meetings, as needed
- Member of the on-call crisis consultation and coverage team
- Provides consultation and occasional trainings on psychiatric medications and co-occurring medical-mental health cases for clinicians and psychoanalytic institute residents
- Signs all clinic treatment plans and medical forms
- Provides psychiatric evaluation and back-up medication consultation on an as-needed basis

### **Overall**

- Collaborates with the Clinic Director and management in strengthening Clinic systems, staffing, and procedures
- Is a vital part of the Blanton-Peale community
- Communicates the Blanton-Peale vision and purpose wherever appropriate

### **Qualifications**

- New York State Board-Certified Psychiatrist
- Experience in crisis assessment and interventions
- Dedication to a diverse clientele and a diverse, inclusive, and collegial workplace
- Interest in Psychotherapy and array of psychotherapeutic approaches
- Ability to lead workshops that cater to a wide range of audiences
- *Experience in an Article 31 Clinic is a plus.*

**Salary: Approximately \$90,000 (open to negotiation)**

**Benefits:** 403B Retirement available with employer matching up to 5%

For employees who work at least 30 hours, Health Insurance and other benefits available

*Please note that Blanton-Peale is open Monday-Friday, 8:00am-9:00pm, and Saturday, 9:00am-5:00pm. The Director of Psychiatric Services works on a hybrid schedule approximately 15 hours per week, congruent with the psychiatric team's hours and available for off-hour communication, as needed.*

**To Apply:** Please send resume and cover letter to [jobs@blantonpeale.org](mailto:jobs@blantonpeale.org)