



## CLINICAL FELLOWSHIP IN ACUTE REHABILITATION

UR Medicine –Strong Memorial Hospital is a leading academic healthcare institution located in Rochester, NY between Lake Ontario and the Finger Lakes region. As a Level 1 Trauma Center and the only Comprehensive Stroke Center in the area, Strong Memorial Hospital is home to a 31-bed acute rehabilitation unit that provides a collaborative, interdisciplinary environment for patients requiring inpatient rehabilitation. Our unit is accredited by CARF and Magnet and is supported by a dedicated team including Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation physicians, residents, social workers, occupational, physical, and recreational therapists, music therapy, and neuropsychologists. This dynamic medical environment provides driven clinicians with valuable opportunities for professional growth and a diverse range of clinical experiences.

The acute rehabilitation team is seeking a full-time, twelve-month clinical fellow to begin in the Fall of 2025. This fellowship offers hands-on acute rehabilitation experience working with diverse patient populations, including those recovering from stroke, traumatic brain injury, neurodegenerative diseases, and debility following organ transplants and cardiac surgeries. The goal is to provide new clinicians with a strong foundation to become skilled and well-rounded medical rehabilitation Speech-Language Pathologists. The fellowship includes experience with Modified Barium Swallow Studies and Flexible Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing, with active participation in interdisciplinary patient care.

### **Job Description:**

Full time, 40 hours

September 2025 through August 2026, some flexibility of start date is available.

A firm 1-year commitment is expected

8:00AM to 4:30PM; Monday through Friday initially, shift to Sunday through Thursday once independent, with some holiday coverage required.

### **Position Summary:**

The clinical fellow will receive mentorship from a certified, NYS-licensed speech-language pathologist. This role includes conducting evaluations and providing treatments for patients with various speech, language, cognitive, and swallowing disorders, as well as offering alternative communication solutions. Additional responsibilities include developing individualized goals and treatment plans for their caseload and providing education to families and staff on the rehabilitation unit. The clinical fellow will also attend weekly interdisciplinary rehabilitation meetings, present an educational lecture to the Speech-Language Pathology department, and participate in monthly clinical fellowship and departmental educational sessions.

### **Minimum Education & Experience Requirements:**

- Completion of M.A. or M.S. degree in an accredited speech-language pathology program
- Previous clinical experience providing direct patient care in a hospital setting and prior use of electronic medical records (EMR) is preferred.

**Application Deadline: 3/1/2025, 11:59 PM EST**

All applications should include the following **3** documents in PDF format. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. 1-page cover letter outlining your previous clinical experience and interest in the adult acute care fellowship.
2. Resume, not to exceed two pages.
3. Three letters of recommendation. One letter preferably from a medical placement supervisor.

Applicants can send their complete application by e-mail with the subject line: **CF Application** or via our Indeed posting.

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