

DIVISION CHIEF OF EATING DISORDERS
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN DIEGO

Position Description: Division Chief of Eating Disorders

The UC San Diego (UCSD) Department of Psychiatry is seeking a Division Chief of Eating Disorders. This position will be accountable to Division members and report directly to the Chair of the Department of Psychiatry. Interested applicants should submit a CV and a statement of interest. Please send materials to the Chair's Office (attn: Amelia Laver at alaver@health.ucsd.edu) by the end of business on **Friday, June 6, 2025**.

Function

Reporting to the Department Chair of Psychiatry, the Division Chief of Eating Disorders is responsible for achieving the Division's academic, operational, financial, and strategic goals by providing leadership, quality oversight, and research direction for all Division members. The Division Chief will define clinical practice, education, and research scopes consistent with UCSD's mission and goals. The Division Chief will advocate for adult mental health, strengthen interdisciplinary relationships, support research programs, and help attract faculty and trainees.

Responsibilities

1. Division Leadership

- Oversee recruitment, training, and retention of Division members.
- Ensure appropriate staffing to meet clinical, teaching, and research goals.
- Monitor Division members in achieving clinical and academic benchmarks.
- Collaborate with leadership to solve operational issues and support service excellence.
- Conduct annual performance evaluations and corrective actions as necessary.
- Collaborate on Division budgets and financial oversight.
- Ensure compliance with research policies and institutional guidelines.
- Facilitate effective communication and operational cohesion.
- Act as liaison to other divisions and institutions.

2. Academics and Research

- Foster a culture of innovation and discovery.
- Support creative and scholarly activity.
- Promote attainment of external and internal funding.
- Define scholarly and career goals for Division members.
- Support excellence in education and training.
- Mentor and transition new faculty and trainees.
- Promote faculty well-being and career development.

3. Quality

- Uphold ethical standards in clinical and basic science research.
- Oversee Division research performance and safeguard participant safety.
- Respond to conduct complaints appropriately.

- Deliver service excellence by consistently maintaining the highest standards of evidence-based care.

4. General

- Perform additional services as requested by the Chair.
- Assist with fundraising.
- Ensure stability and optimal performance of the Eating Disorders Service Line.
- Chair committees as needed.

Accountabilities/Qualifications:

1. Licensed physician or psychologist in California.
2. Active Medical Staff appointment.
3. UCSD School of Medicine faculty appointment at senior Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor level.
4. Demonstrated success in clinical services, research, and education in the field of Eating Disorders.
5. History of service excellence.

Duration of Term: Five years, renewable once, serving at the pleasure of the Chair.

Compensation: Approximately 30% effort, with departmental salary support commensurate with this effort.