

The [Center for Visual and Neurocognitive Rehabilitation](#) at the Atlanta VA Health Care System is seeking a motivated **Research Assistant** to join a collaborative, VA-funded rehabilitation research center. This position offers the opportunity to contribute to additional studies across the center as research needs evolve. The Research Assistant will primarily support a VA-funded clinical trial for Veterans with co-occurring fibromyalgia and PTSD: **NCT07718984**. The study is evaluating transauricular vagus nerve stimulation (taVNS), a noninvasive pain-management approach, alongside Prolonged Exposure in Primary Care. The anticipated study launch is January 2027, with the possibility of an earlier hire and start date in October 2026.

Key responsibilities

- Coordinate recruitment, scheduling, participant retention, and daily study logistics.
- Conduct study assessments across participating sites under the supervision of PI team.
- Maintain regulatory and study records, including IRB-related documentation.
- Support accurate collection of self-report, interview, and wearable-device data.
- Collaborate with clinical and research teams to ensure a respectful, Veteran-centered research experience.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree and IRB/regulatory experience required.
- Strong organizational, communication, and participant-engagement skills.

Preferred: Experience coordinating mental-health or clinical research studies; CCRC certification; prior VA research experience; and training or experience with mental-health assessments.

Interested candidates should send a CV/resume and brief statement of interest to **Anna Woodbury** at anna.woodbury@va.gov and **Sheila Rauch** at sheila.rauch@va.gov.