

# UR Medicine Voice Center Clinical Fellowship in Voice & Upper Airway

UR Medicine / University of Rochester Medical Center (URMC) is a leading academic healthcare institution located in Rochester, NY between Lake Ontario and the Finger Lakes region. The Voice Center is part of URMC's Department of Otolaryngology which consists of otolaryngology physicians, with specialties in pediatrics, otology / neurotology, rhinology, allergy, sleep medicine, head and neck cancer, laryngology, and facial plastics. The Voice Center consists of two fellowship trained laryngologists, and six speech-language pathologists who specialize in the treatment of voice, professional voice, breathing, upper airway and swallowing disorders.

The Voice Center is seeking a qualified graduate of an accredited Speech-Language Pathology program to complete a 12-month, full-time, paid clinical fellowship. This fellowship will be focused on the evaluation and treatment of individuals with voice, upper airway and swallowing disorders.

#### Job Description:

September 1, 2025 through August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Some flexibility is available with start date A firm 1-year commitment is expected Full Time 40 hours Speech Pathology

#### **Position Summary:**

The clinical fellow will be mentored by a certified speech-language pathologist and work as part of a team in the interdisciplinary laryngology clinic. They will be responsible for completing evaluations and developing individualized treatment plans, participating in voice team meetings, presenting an educational lecture to the speech-language pathology department, attending monthly clinical fellowship meetings, departmental educational meetings and completing daily documentation and billing through the electronic medical record system.

The clinical fellowship year at the Voice Center will provide the opportunity to gain experience and training in the areas of voice assessment, stroboscopy, fiberoptic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing studies, modified barium swallow studies, in-clinic swallowing evaluations, and therapy for voice, swallowing and breathing disorders. Opportunities may also be available to work with pediatric voice/upper airway patients, gender-affirming clients and performers. Given the large population of individuals with Parkinson Disease seen in our clinic, the clinical fellow will be encouraged to become SPEAK OUT! trained, in order to serve this population and assist with facilitation of LOUD Crowd. In addition, opportunities may be available for observation of laryngeal imaging, assessment and specialized procedures including bronchoscopy, laryngeal EMG and Botox injections with the laryngologists. Candidates may also have the option to observe surgery with the laryngologists, participate in a week-long intensive clinical dysphagia experience in the acute care setting and be given the opportunity to present to local colleges and universities.

#### Minimum Education & Experience Requirements:

Candidates who are prepared for this position will have completed or be scheduled to complete an externship that focuses on voice. If this type of externship was not available, this should be clearly stated along with the additional opportunities (i.e., training, observations, volunteering, research) pursued specifically in the field of voice in place of the externship. Candidates must demonstrate professionalism, energy and a driven nature required for working in a fast-paced outpatient clinic. Experience working with SPEAK OUT! / LOUD Crowd, and gender-affirming care is a plus.



Candidates must have their master's degree in speech-language pathology conferred from an accredited University program prior to beginning the position. All applicants must qualify for application of the required New York State temporary licensure, and the application process completed prior to the start date.

### **Additional Information**

- This position is not H1B visa approved.
- This position does not include inpatient (acute) care, acute rehab or head and neck cancer care.
- This position will not include dedicated research.
- The clinical fellow will evaluate and treat and wide range of etiologies; experiences will depend on current clinic caseload at the time of fellowship.

## Application Deadline: 2/1/2025, 11:59 PM EST

To apply for this position, please send the following information via email to the Department of Speech-Language Pathology, formatted as specified. Applications not received in this format, incomplete or received after the deadline will not be considered. Applications should be formatted into <u>1 PDF document</u> and include (in order):

- a cover sheet with the applicant's name, email address, complete mailing address, phone number, and specify the fellowship of interest (i.e., Clinical Fellowship in Voice & Upper Airway).
- <u>1-page cover letter</u>.
- <u>curriculum vitae</u>
- graduate school transcript (unofficial or official)
- **two letters of reference. preferably from voice related coursework & training or voice-related externships.** Letters can be from professors, clinical supervisors, or otolaryngologists.

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