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Dear Dr. Northoff,

In response to your letter of June 17: We occasionally appoint Fellows for post-residency training and research. These appointments are usually made from our own graduates, but about half the positions are given to trainees from other programs. For those interested in clinical research, we require the satisfactory completion of the ECFMG examination, and a visa which will permit the candidate's stay in the U.S. This is usually the J-1 Visa which is issued on the request of the University.

A letter of application, accompanied by a copy of your curriculum vitae, and a statement of your ECFMG status (Passed, date; or, scheduled examination date) will start the application process. The letter should indicate the date on which you anticipate a willingness to begin training, the duration of your willingness to take such training, and your social status (married or single) and dependents.

We are actively involved in research in catatonia. These are under the supervision of my associate, Dr. Andrew Francis. Our prospective study of incidence and our rating scale developments are being written for submission for publication this summer. We are continuing these studies and are developing a prospective study of the biology of catatonia. We hope to have a protocol completed and submitted for funding by the early fall.

Thank you again for your interest. Let me know how we can be of further help.

Sincerely yours,

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Professor of Psychiatry
and Neurology