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Melissa Arbuckle, MD, PhD is Vice Chair for Education and Director of Resident Education in the Department of Psychiatry at Columbia and the New York State Psychiatric Institute. Dr. Arbuckle is also Past-President of the Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training (AADPRT).

Dr. Arbuckle's interests focus on the role of medical education in advancing the translation of research into the practice of psychiatry. Dr. Arbuckle is a principal investigator on Columbia's NIH funded R25 Research Track. This program, "Priming the Pump: Training Physician-Scientists in Translational Neuroscience," aims to support the development of physician-scientists who are dedicated to translational research in psychiatry. As part of her effort to expand the translation of basic neuroscience to clinical practice, Dr. Arbuckle is also co-chair of the National Neuroscience Curriculum Initiative (NNCI), an NIH funded collaboration to create, pilot, and disseminate a comprehensive set of shared resources to help train psychiatrists to integrate a modern neuroscience perspective into their clinical work. In bridging patient-oriented and population-based research, Dr. Arbuckle has been extensively involved in developing quality improvement (QI) training programs for residents in psychiatry. Her training program in QI has been recognized as a "model curriculum" by AADPRT.

Dr. Arbuckle has been a residency training director involved in applicant selection and recruitment since 2005.