



ANNOUNCEMENT OF Internship Opportunity

Mental Health Graduate Intern, School Based Clinics

October 2014 – June 12, 2015

Background and Project:

Internship opportunity is available with the Minneapolis Health Department (MHD) to provide mental health services to high school youth in the School Based Clinics (SBC), as well as coordinated care activities for those youth. The position includes participating as a member of an interdisciplinary health care team.

The Minneapolis School Based Clinics are a Minneapolis Health Department program that partners with the Minneapolis Public Schools. School based clinics provide high quality, affordable, and comprehensive medical and behavioral health services by professional staff specializing in adolescent health.

<http://www.minneapolismn.gov/sbc>

Intern Responsibilities:

- Assess psychosocial needs of selected SBC clients requesting sports physicals or reproductive health services, and clients referred by clinic staff, school staff, etc. Assess client emergency situations for suicide and/or for violence to self or others.
- Provide diagnostic assessment, treatment planning and therapy, to clients with DSM-IV diagnoses, and other issues such as stress, sexuality, chemical use, grief, peer and family relationships, self-esteem, self-care, developmental issues and healthy decision making under the direction of a licensed mental health professional. Refer clients requiring specialized or more intensive therapy to appropriate services. Provide counseling and resource connection to pregnant and parenting clients. Document in client record significant social data collected through interviews and communications with SBC Staff and collaborating agencies.
- Participate in interdisciplinary team planning, when needed, with other SBC staff, community agencies, and when appropriate guardians and school staff.
- Promote coordination of services among multiple providers or agencies, including Minneapolis Public School staff, community agency staff, guardians or others.
- Provide information and referrals for out of school resources such as housing, academic support, employment, medical and dental services, and economic assistance. Assist in interpretation and clarification of various community services to eligible families.
- Refer clients to appropriate school staff for school related issues including but not limited to discipline issues, harassment complaints, academic problems, tutoring and college preparation programs, and after school activities.
- Notify appropriate MPS personnel, social service agencies, or guardians when clients present with crisis issues, such as threatened suicide, sexual or physical abuse.
- Facilitate support groups and present classroom curriculum on a variety of topics.
- Provide education to program staff on mental health issues and concerns.
- Participate in supervision consultation by a licensed professional.
- Participate in case consultation and professional development with the mental health team.
- Report to Public Health Mental Health Counselor III of any areas outside of their level of expertise.
- Attend continuing education opportunities as approved and/or assigned by supervisor.
- Understand and apply the City's record retention schedule and record management policies, and protect confidential and private information as required by Data Privacy and/or HIPAA policies.

Time commitment & work days: The Mental Health Graduate Intern will work five days per week from 8:00 to 4:00 during scheduled School Based Clinic hours.

Location: South High School 3131 19th Ave S 55406

Learning Objectives:

- The Mental Health Intern will enhance their knowledge and experience in working with a highly diverse adolescent population.
- The Mental Health Intern will strengthen therapeutic skills in clinical interviewing, treatment planning and intervention.
- The Mental Health Intern will gain an understanding of School Based Mental Health Services and develop the skills to provide mental health information, consultation and care coordination to clinic and school staff.

Desired Qualifications: Training Opportunities:

A Master's Degree in psychology, counseling, clinical social work or a related field from an accredited college or university is required. At least 6 months of clinical experience including clinical internships. Bilingual in Spanish or Hmong, experience with diverse population of adolescents desired.

Knowledge and Skills Desired:

- Clinical skills in the provision of diagnostic assessment, treatment planning and therapy.
- Ability to relate well to an adolescent population.
- Knowledge of adolescent development.
- Knowledge of multicultural and economic challenges.
- Ability to work with diverse and special needs populations.
- Demonstrated ability to work in a collaborative environment, particularly with multiple agencies, and providers.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Knowledge of community agencies or how to access information easily.
- Ability to facilitate group discussion and provide classroom presentations.
- Flexibility to work in multiple settings within different schools and clinics.

Pay: \$20.29 to 22.13 per hour depending on experience

Evaluation: The Mental Health Intern will be provided with weekly supervision by a licensed Mental Health Professional, participate in monthly group supervision and will receive ongoing feedback.

How to Apply:

In order to be considered please send cover letter, resume and transcript.

Email, fax or mail your information to: Minneapolis Health Department
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BACKGROUND CHECK: The City has determined that a criminal background check and/or qualifications check will be required for this intern position and pre-employment drug and alcohol screen.

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