

**Marin County Health and Human Services, Division of Community Mental Health 2012-2013**

**Practicum in Latino Family Health**

**Psychology Practicum or Social Work** students will have a primary assignment to the Latino Family Health program based on the Health and Wellness Campus with Youth and Family Services. All students will have 1 hour of individual supervision by a licensed primary supervisor and 1 hour of individual or group supervision with a licensed psychologist. A third hour of individual supervision or group supervision also occurs in most weeks. **All practicum students must be on site on Thursdays** for the Latino Family Health case conference meeting **and on Fridays** for the didactic Allied Clinical Services Seminar. **The placement requires a minimum of 3 days and 20 hours per week, Sept-June.** Testing opportunities are available but limited, usually 3-5 batteries per year.

**Latino Family Health Practicum**

- Psychotherapy Caseload: 4-6 youth or adult clients and their families
- Mental health screenings & assessments of Latino children and youth, adults and older adults
- Opportunity to learn and teach with Marin Promotores Initiative (MPI), a community health workers organization addressing health disparities in underserved communities.
- Parenting education and mental health outreach in schools or primary care.
- Opportunity to co-facilitate or lead groups in both Spanish and English.
- Option to work with ACASA, Latino senior peer counseling group
- Multidisciplinary consultation

**Students must be fully bilingual in Spanish/English Stipend (\$1000-2000) for qualifying language proficiency. Fluency must be demonstrated in the interview.**

**Students who can commit to 24 hours/week and who are available on Wednesday and Thursday may participate in DBT-informed Skills Group Training and Consultation Group**

## Clinical Training Overview

Additional information and program updates are available at [http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/HH/main/mh/intern\\_faq.cfm](http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/HH/main/mh/intern_faq.cfm)

The Program Orientation, weekly Allied Clinical Services Seminar, and case conferences include the following domains of learning over the course of the 12 month program. Topics are further explored in individual and group supervision and peer consultation meetings. Discussion of cultural sensitivity, cultural competency and psychologists' social responsibility is integrated into discussions at all levels of instruction.

Fall Term		Winter Term		Spring/Summer Term	
Orientation to Community Mental Health	Initial Phase of Treatment	Dynamics of Middle Phase		The Concluding Phase of Treatment	
Treatment Alliance and Commitment to Therapy	Assessment and Treatment Planning	Designing and Evaluating Effective Interventions	Consultation, Referral and Consolidation of Therapeutic Growth	Introduction to Supervision	
Initial Diagnostic Assessment		Crisis Assessment and Intervention	Professional Development and Clinical Practice		Alternative Summer Rotations Exam Preparation
Cultural Competency in Engagement and Assessment		Designing Culturally Competent Interventions	Resource Development and Advocacy In Community Mental Health		
Biosocial-Developmental Perspective on the Effects of Trauma and Neglect					

Instructors are drawn from program faculty and professionals in the community. Sequence and specificity of topics vary somewhat each year in response to needs and interests of the intern group, but all of the above topics are included annually. Detailed calendars from recent years are available and provided at the time candidates are interviewed.

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## Practicum Application Process

**Candidates should have 2 years of supervised clinical experience (in a graduate program or in related clinical employment) and a commitment to service in the public sector.**

**Application: Send a c.v., 2 or 3 letters of recommendation including one from a clinical supervisor, and a letter describing your motivation for public service and work in underserved communities.**

**Mail to Carol Kerr, Ph.D., Marin CMHS, 250 Bon Air Road, Greenbrae, CA 94904**

**We accept applications beginning in December and interview in February and March. We follow the guidelines for the BAPIC selection process for psychology students. Social work students may apply at anytime and admissions will be rolling until filled.**