

Hamilton General Hospital
Centralized Care and Transition Team (CCaTT)

Year 2 Practicum
September 2024-April 2025

Practicum Description:

“Hamilton General Hospital, along with providing general internal medicine care to its large community, it is home to a number of Hamilton Health Sciences’ key regional referral programs, including: burns, cardiac catheterization, cardiac surgery, electrophysiology, endovascular treatment, extracorporeal life support (ECMO), neurosurgery, stroke, trauma and vascular surgery. It is also home to programs that provide specialized care to our HNHBB residents: cardiology, neurology and spine. In addition to providing leading-edge care, HGH is strongly connected to its neighbourhood and supports outreach activities aimed at helping to enhance the quality of life in the surrounding community.”

This practicum will be working in the Emergency Department and Express Unit on what is known as the Centralized Care and Transition Team (CCaTT). CCaTT completes comprehensive geriatric assessments of multiple domains potentially contributing to frailty and develops / recommends interventions aligned with best practice. These patients are usually greater than or equal to 65 years of age and from independent living.

Students will participate in interdisciplinary assessments (OT/PT, SW, NP, Pharm), create discharge plans, complete community referrals and provide mental health support to our diverse population.

Practicum Requirements:

- ☒ Immunizations per PHA Guidelines
- ☒ N95 Respirator/Mask Fitting
- ☒ Covid Vaccinations
- ☒ Police Reference/Vulnerable Sector Check
- ☒ Comfort working with the population being served
- ☒ Comprehensive report writing and documentation
- ☒ Evening attendance
- ☒ Weekend attendance

Other requirements:

Student will work 10 hour shifts, preferable Wednesday and Thursday placement dates. Day and Evening shifts. Some flexibility with scheduling required.

Fields(s) of this Practicum:

- ☒ Mental Health and Health
- ☒ Social Work in Gerontology

Does your practicum require any previous experience? If yes, please specify.

No direct experience is required. Working with geriatric population would be an asset.

Please indicate whether this practicum will be in-person, remote or hybrid.

This placement will be in-person.

Please indicate whether this practicum will involve direct work or a mix of direct and indirect.

This placement deals predominantly with direct work with a mix of indirect.

Number of practicums offered?

One.

Field Instructor(s') name and credentials:

Sydney Okabe, RSW, IBSW, MSW.

Do you require a resume? Or resume and cover letter?

I require a resume and cover letter.

Accessibility Considerations:

- Will the student have access to a private space for notes or computer use? No
- Are there breaks between clients/patients/meetings? Sometimes
- Is the practicum considered fast-paced? Medium
Depending on the amount of referrals we have it can be fast paced.
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? Medium
Lots of individuals in our office, noise level can be high, we try to keep it moderate.
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? Yes
- What are the physical demands of the practicum?
Standing at patient bedside for periods of time (1 hour long assessments).
- Are there any other accessibility considerations that potential applicants with disabilities should be aware of?
We have limited space in our office that could inhibit those with mobility devices. Also because of the close confines of our office those who have difficulties concentrating could find difficulties.

Students registered with University of Toronto Accessibility Services may receive appropriate accommodations for practicum settings. To register: <https://studentlife.utoronto.ca/departments/accessibility-services/> or call 416-978-8060

If you are interested in this practicum, please send a cover letter and resume to miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca by 4 pm on March 14, 2024. Applications will be forwarded on to the site.