

**Women's College Hospital Academic Family Health Team**

**77 Grenville Street, Toronto, ON and Remote**

Year 2 Practicum, Spring/Summer

April – August 2024

**Practicum Description**

Large, downtown, hospital-affiliated academic family health team. Diverse population reflecting population of inner-city as well as commuters and government workers whose family physician is located at our practice. Primarily providing short term individual and group counselling and psychotherapy for a broad range of issues including depression, anxiety, relationships, work stress, grief, trauma, adjusting to a new diagnosis, and currently many of our referrals are for clients experiencing anxiety and isolation as a result of the pandemic. Will also include assisting clients needing to access resources, referrals in the community.

**Student activities to develop social work competencies**

Direct Service Delivery/Interventions/Working with Recipients of Service:

- Conduct intake/needs assessments
- Provide resource and referral information
- Develop, promote, plan and/or (co)facilitate educational groups or workshops when schedule permits
- Carry individual case-load providing individual assessment, counselling, intervention and evaluation of interventions
- Collaborate with interprofessional team
- Apply best practices as outlined by the organization
- Undertake instrumental activities that support the work with recipients (e.g., assistance forms, benefit forms, referrals, goals for therapy)

Interprofessional collaboration:

- Present cases at case conferences
- Attend staff/administrative meetings/rounds

Indirect Service Delivery:

- Prepare and maintain case notes, reports, statistics which meet the organization's accountability guidelines
- Collect and/or analyze data
- Contribute to research and other organizational initiatives
- Develop skills in cross-cultural/spiritual competence
- Research and add to inventory of resources relevant to client populations

**Practicum Requirements**

- N95 Respirator/Mask Fitting
- Comfort working with the population being served
- Comprehensive report writing and documentation
- Other requirements: Flexibility in regards to sometimes working from home, sometimes being on-site. However open to discussion if student requires a remote placement.

**Field of Study of this Practicum:** Children and their Families, Social Justice and Diversity, Mental Health and Health

**Does your practicum require any previous experience?**

Some experience working directly with clients.

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

Hybrid. Students would need to have the space, privacy, reliable computer, as well as reliable internet service at home in order to provide phone and video sessions remotely.

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

Direct

**Field Instructor(s) name and credentials:** Karen Burrell, MSW and Chantal Simms, MSW

**Accessibility Considerations:**

- Will the student have access to a private space for notes or computer use? Yes
- Are there breaks between clients/patients/meetings? Yes
- Is the practicum considered fast-paced? Medium
- Is there a high noise level in the practicum? Low
- Is the site wheelchair accessible? Yes
- What are the physical demands of the practicum? None
- Are there any other accessibility considerations that potential applicants with disabilities should be aware of?

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**If you are interested in this practicum, please send a cover letter and resume to [miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca](mailto:miri.ben.dat@utoronto.ca) by March 1, 2024. Applications will be forwarded on to the site.**