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## Internship/Practicum Description

**Title:** Behavioral Health Clinic Intern/Practicum Student

**Department Description:** Gateway Longview's Behavioral Health Clinic supports children and youth ages 3-21 struggling with behavioral, social, and emotional challenges. Through a licensed clinic and school-based satellites in 18+ districts, we specialize in meeting the mental health needs of children, youth, and adolescents.

The primary goal of Behavioral Health Services is to support youth, in collaboration with their systems of care, toward recovery and stability. Through effective assessments, evidence-based interventions, and continued evaluations, family-driven objectives are achieved. Ongoing community education also works to reduce stigma associated with behavioral and mental health needs.

### Position Specific Duties/Responsibilities:

- Assist children and adults, in collaboration with their system of care, toward recovery and reduction of negative symptoms caused by mental health needs through effective assessment, intervention and ongoing evaluation of effectiveness.
- Provide individual, group and family therapy/clinic services at a school-based satellite location. (Participation in a group therapy setting would be based on the clinic having a group run at that time.)
- Assess each client's mental health strengths and needs in accordance with the most current edition of the DSM / ICD 9 codes and in accordance with pertinent regulatory and agency standards
- Effectively collaborate with the client's continuum of care providers to include psychiatric care providers, primary health provider, and other involved health care providers.
- Ensure full engagement of each client in the therapeutic process as evidenced by consistent attendance at scheduled sessions and contributions to treatment planning and progress.
- Complete and maintain all intake assessments, treatment plans, progress notes, and all required documentation within the regulatory time frames and in accordance with professional standards, agency policy, Office of Mental Health guidelines, and Federal Medicaid and HMO guidelines.
- Assure that each assigned client's record is maintained with current, up-to-date information in accordance with pertinent regulatory and agency standards.
- In addition to the above, upon completion of this internship, students will have experience in Evidence-based behavioral interventions and assessments and the ability to detect clients at risk, to prevent further psychological or physical deterioration.
- Other duties as assigned.

### Qualifications

- Enrollment in 2<sup>nd</sup> year of clinically-based Master's Degree program (MSW, MHC, CAT).
- Ability to work successfully in a team environment.
- Ability to work evenings. Ability to work and travel to a School-Based Satellite location and the Main Clinic location. Experience working in a school setting.
- Ability to establish collaborative relationships and community contacts from a variety of cultural and ethnic backgrounds
- Background clearances will be administered upon acceptance into placement.