

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

Student Professional Development Program

DMH/LASD Mental Evaluation Team

Social Work

Internship

Specialization: Mental Health/Crisis Response with Law Enforcement

DMH Agency:	DMH/LASD Mental Evaluation Team	
DMH Agency Address:	1441 Santa Anita Avenue South El Monte, CA 91733	Service Area 3
DMH Agency Liaison:	Marisa Soria	
New or Returning:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Returning	
Liaison Email Address:	msoria@dmh.lacounty.gov	
Liaison Phone Number:	(213) 210-0032	
Liaison Fax Number:	(626) 433-1310	
Agency ADA accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No" identify:	

Student Requirements:

How many positions will you have?	1 ← 2 nd Year Student
Beginning and ending dates:	Academic Year

Student Schedule:

<i>Please indicate days and times students should be available to provide services, including mandatory staff meetings (SM), training seminars (TR), supervision (SUP), etc.</i>	
Monday	8am-5pm
Tuesday	8am-5pm (Weekly Supervision)
Wednesday	8am-5pm (1 x month Staff Meetings – 2 hour block)
Thursday	8am-5pm
Friday	8am-5pm
Total hours expected to be worked per week:	16-20
Number of direct client hours per week anticipated:	10
Expected average consumer caseload:	4
What cultural groups typically received services at your site?	All

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Description of Site: *(Please describe the type of Agency setting and services offered)*

Mental Evaluation Team (MET) in collaboration with the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department (LASD) responds to field emergency crisis calls involving individuals in distress with suspected or identified mental health symptoms.

MET-RAMP team is comprised of a Deputy Sheriff and a mental health clinician who co-respond post 911 crisis to provide intensive case management. RAMP teams address the needs of patients with serious mental illness who meet certain criteria, including extensive history of violence, increase in high-risk behaviors, suicide by cop threats, etc. The RAMP team concept is a combination of intensive case management, patient advocacy and linkage to mental health services.

Target population and types of services provided: *(please check all that apply)*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individuals	<input type="checkbox"/> Psychoeducational groups (e.g. Parenting)
<input type="checkbox"/> Groups	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Families	<input type="checkbox"/> Brief treatment to mid-term treatment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Children & Adolescents	<input type="checkbox"/> Long term treatment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adults	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crisis Intervention
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Older Adults	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening and Assessment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Court/Probation referred	<input type="checkbox"/> Psych Testing (For psychology students only)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultation/Liaison	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):

What are the most frequent diagnostic categories of your client population?

MDD, Schizophrenia, Bipolar DO, Psychotic DO NOS, Anxiety Disorders (GAD, OCD, Anxiety NOS)

What specific (perhaps unique) training opportunities do students have at your agency?

Training with Law Enforcement partners – Mental Health Update, MILO, De-escalation, Crisis Intervention

What evidence based practices or theoretical orientations will students be exposed to at this site?

Psychodynamic, Humanistic, Crisis Oriented Recovery Services, Motivational Interviewing, CBT, and DBT

Do students have the opportunity to work in a multidisciplinary team environment that includes those with lived experience?

Multidisciplinary Team: Social Workers, LMFTs, Psychologists, and Registered Nurses. Yes, as we co-respond with a Law.

List locations where students will be providing services **other than agency?**

Countywide: SA 2 – SA8 along with law enforcement official

Does your agency allow students to videotape and/or audiotape clients for the purpose of presenting cases in their academic classes? Yes No

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Supervision:

What types of supervision will be provided for the students and what is the licensure/discipline of the supervisor? Please specify below.

Type	Hours Per Week	Supervisor Degree	Supervisor License #
Individual:	1.5	LCSW	LCSW 27490
Group:			

What is the minimum ratio of supervision to client contact hours?

2-4 hours

Does your agency require a particular range of previous experience or specific prerequisite coursework? If so please explain.

We will only accept 2nd year MSW students given the intensity of the cases, high risk/crisis level work and level of responsibility needed.

Agency Application Process

Mandatory requirements: Only students from academic institutions who have a current affiliation agreement with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health may be extended a placement opportunity. All students are processed through Human Resources Bureau. All prospective interns must obtain live scan clearance. All interns are required to complete a mandatory HIPAA Compliance and Sexual Harassment Prevention Training (for line staff) as part as the terms of their internship.

DMH Staff completing this form: Marisa Soria, LCSW

Title: MHCS

Program Head or District Chief: Sanjay Shah, PM2

Phone #: 213-210-0032

Program Manager attests to accepting student placements at this site. Date: 01/19/2023