

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

Student Professional Development Program

Specialized Foster Care- SA2 (Santa Clarita, Van Nuys, Chatsworth)

Social Work
 Internship/ Practicum
Specialization: (Children and Families)

DMH Agency:	Specialized Foster Care	
DMH Agency Address:	28490 Avenue Stanford, Suite 300 Santa Clarita, CA 91355	Service Area 2
DMH Agency Liaison:	Karina Krynsky	
New or Returning:	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Returning	
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Agency ADA accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No" identify:	

Student Requirements:

How many positions will you have?	2
Beginning and ending dates:	open

Please indicate days and times students should be available to provide services, including mandatory staff meetings (SM), training seminars (TR), supervision (SUP), etc.

Student Schedule: Tuesday through Friday

Monday	8:00-5:30
Tuesday	8:00-5:30
Wednesday	8:00-5:30
Thursday	8:00-5:30
Friday	8:00-5:30

Total hours expected to be worked per week:	10-20hrs.
Number of direct client hours per week anticipated:	10+
Expected average consumer caseload:	10-20

What cultural groups typically received services at your site?	Diverse
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Description of Site: *(Please describe the type of Agency setting and services offered)*

Specialized Foster Care screens clients to determine mental health needs. Linking children and families to contracted agencies for services; triaging referrals and attending internal meetings led by DCFS –Child and Family Team Meetings (CFTM). Weekly serves as OD (Officer of the Day), as well as working collaboratively with Children’s Social Workers (CSW) and Community-Based agencies as needed.

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

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

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

Mood disorders (Depression, Anxiety), PTSD, Adjustment Disorders and ADHD.

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

Direct collaboration with referral source, Department of Children and Family services (DCFS)

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

Specialized Foster Care mainly works with linking clients to providers for treatment

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

Specialized Foster Care works collaborative with DCFS, DMH providers, Families and Community Workers.

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

Field (client’s home) or in the community.

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

Consent must be first obtained from the client/family.

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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	On Site Supervisor Degree/Discipline
Individual:	1 hr. wk (or as needed)	Karina Krynsky, LCSW or James McEwen, LMFT
Group:	N/A	

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

1 hr. for every 5 clients

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

Case Management experience a plus.

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/Field Instructor completing this form:

Karina Krynsky _____ Title: MHCS

Email: kkrynsky@dmh.lacounty.gov Date: 1/12/23

Program Manager: Anabel Aispuro

District Chief: Anabel Aispuro

Both Program Manager and Chief agree to students accepted at this site.

Electronic Signature: Karina Krynsky Date: 1/12/23