

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

Student Professional Development Program



DMH Agency:	Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health Prevent Homelessness Promote Health	
DMH Agency Address:	222 S. Hill Street, Suite 600 Los Angeles, CA 90012	Service Area 4
DMH Agency Liaison:	Ramona Casupang, LCSW	
New or Returning:	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Returning	
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Liaison Phone Number:	(213) 349-7946	
Agency ADA accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Student Requirements:

How many positions will you have?	1-2
Beginning and ending dates:	Open

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	7:00 am – 3:30 pm
Tuesday	7:00 am – 3:30 pm
Wednesday	7:00 am – 3:30 pm
Thursday	7:00 am – 3:30 pm
Friday	7:00 am – 3:30 pm

Total hours expected to be worked per week:	Open
Number of direct client hours per week anticipated:	10
Expected average consumer caseload:	5
What cultural groups typically received services at your site?	Adults/Older Adults (18 yrs. old and older) formally individuals that experienced homelessness

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

The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health in collaboration with Department of Health Services, *Housing for Health*, will identify and outreach formally individuals and families that experienced homelessness to address risk factors and build skills to help those individuals maintain their permanent housing.

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

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individuals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Psychoeducational groups (e.g. Parenting
<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 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 type="checkbox"/> Court/Probation referred	<input type="checkbox"/> Psych Testing <i>(For psychology students only)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultation/Liaison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify):</i>

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

Depression, Anxiety, Bipolar, Schizophrenia and Schizoaffective.

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

Our interns will have the opportunity to be a part of an outreach team in addressing housing / mental health stabilization with adult and families countywide to address risk factors and promote skill building that support the maintenance of permanent and stable housing to formerly individuals that experienced homelessness and currently they are at-risk to lose their current housing and return to homelessness.

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

Prevention Early Intervention evidence based practices i.e.: CBT, Seeking Safety, Motivational Interviewing and Crisis Oriented Recovery Services.

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

Our interns will have the opportunity to coordinate care with urgent care centers countywide as well as coordinate care with our Directly operated / Contracted DMH outpatient clinics and TAY/Adult / Older Adult FSP Teams. Our interns will have the opportunity to collaborate with medical staff from Department of Health Services.

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

Prevent Homelessness and Promote Health is a countywide program.

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	On Site Supervisor Degree/Discipline
Individual:	1	Ramonda Casupang, LCSW.
Group:		

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

1:10

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

Prevent Homelessness and Promote Health will require second year interns or advanced standing students in the MSW program.

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: Ramona Casupang, LCSW

Title: Program Manager

Program Head or District Chief: Ramona Casupang, LCSW

Phone # (213) 349-7946

X Program Manager attests to accepting student placements at this site. Date: 1/30/25