

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health
Student Professional Development Program

Emergency Outreach and Triage Division-Mental Evaluation Team

What discipline? **(Social Work)**
☒**Internship/**☐**Practicum**
Specialization: (List services or populations)

DMH Agency:	**Emergency Outreach and Triage Division-Mental Evaluation Team**
DMH Agency Address:	1441 Santa Anita Ave., South El Monte, CA-91733 **Service Area** #3, 7
DMH Agency Liaison:	Sanjay Shah, LCSW
New or Returning:	☐ New X☐ Returning
Liaison Email Address:	sshah@dmh.lacounty.gov
Liaison Phone Number:	626-258-3022
Liaison Fax Number:	None
Agency ADA accessible	X☐ Yes ☐ No If "No" identify:

Student Requirements:

How many positions will you have?	Three (3)-Second Year MSW Student
Beginning and ending dates:	Academic Year

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	8.00am-4.30pm
Tuesday	8.00am-4.30pm (Weekly Supervision)
Wednesday	8.00am-4.30pm (weekly supervision)
Thursday	8.00am-4.30pm
Friday	8am-4.30pm

Total hours expected to be worked per week:	20 hours
Number of direct client hours per week anticipated:	10 hours
Expected average consumer caseload:	4-10

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

Sheriff Mental Evaluation Team (MET) is a co-response and mutual-aid model of Deputy from Sheriff and one Department Mental Health Clinician to provide immediate field response to situations involving mentally ill, violent, or high risk or suspected mentally ill individuals called upon by patrol officer due to 911 calls in the Sheriff covered areas throughout the Los Angeles County.
Sheriff MET has started Risk Assessment and Management Program (RAMP) from 10/01/2018 to provide effective case management of selected referrals involving high utilizers of emergency services, high utilizers of 911 systems, and individuals who ae at high risk of death or injury to themselves or others. RAMP provides linkage to mental health and other community services for the purpose of stabilization. RAMP criteria include high utilizers of emergency services, involved in a SWAT call out, communicated desire for "suicide by cop", targeted school violence, increasing high risk behaviors, prohibitor possessor Guns/Weapons program, Veteran with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. RAMP receives referrals from various entities, including but not limited to, LASD Personnel, Board of Supervisors and DMH Administration

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

x ☐ **Individuals**	☐ **Psychoeducational groups *(e.g. Parenting)***
☐ **Groups**	X ☐ **Community Outreach**
x ☐ **Families**	☐ **Brief treatment to mid-term treatment**
x ☐ **Children & Adolescents**	☐ **Long term treatment**
x ☐ **Adults**	x ☐ **Crisis Intervention**
x ☐ **Older Adults**	x ☐ **Screening and Assessment**
☐ **Court/Probation referred**	☐ **Psych Testing *(For psychology students only)***
x ☐ **Consultation/Liaison**	☐ **Other** (*specify*):□□

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

Schizophrenia, MDD, Bipolar D/O, PTSD, Major Depressive D/O, OCD, GAD, Severe Substance Use D/O, ADHD, Autism

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

Training with our DMH and Law Enforcement Partners-Mental Health Updates, Muti-Interactive Learning Objectives (MILO), De-escalations Techniques, Crisis Mental Health Interventions.

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

Psychodynamics, Humanistic, Crisis Oriented Recovery Services, Motivational Interviewing, CBT, an DBT.

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

Our multidisciplinary teams consist of social workers, LMFTs, Psychologist, and Registered Nurse. We co-respond with our Los Angeles County Sheriff MET Deputy in unmarked car to a 911 patrol calls in the field

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

We have satellite locations mainly at Lakewood, West Covina, East Los Angeles, La Mirada, Compton and Carson Sheriff stations. It is throughout located in Service Area#3, 7, and 6.

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

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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:	1.5 hours	Angelica Isaac-Palma, LCSW and Bernice Martinez, LCSW
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*.

Due to highest level of crisis calls (911), we will only accept second year three MSW students given the intensity of the cases, high risk, immediate crisis field intervention. We will accept one student for MET program and two second year MSW students for our RAMP 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/Field Instructor completing this form:

Angelica Isaac-Palma and Bernice Martinez **Title**: Mental Health Clinical Supervisor

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Program Manager: Sanjay Shah, LCSW

District Chief: Paul Sacco

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


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