

## **High School Co-operative Education Placement Description**

Department/Program:	Community Psychiatry Clinic	Location	100 West 5 <sup>th</sup> , Level 0, Room D052
Manager	Vesna Kokic (Acting Manager)	Placement Supervisor	Nicole Waters Christina Stevens
Hours for Fall/Winter placement	AM or PM between the hours of 8am -4pm	Dress code	Security ID Badge Professional Image Standard

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Community Psychiatry Services provides an integrated approach to treatment combining psychotherapy and psychopharmacology in a recovery oriented environment. This inter professional team includes nurses, an occupational therapist, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers and a peer support worker.

There are three treatment streams:

- 1. Primary Care Consultation Stream ("Rapid Consult Clinic")
  This is a service provided for family physicians to assist them in the on-going care of patients with psychiatric disorder.
  - Although this service endeavours to respond quickly to requests this is not for patients with urgent or emergent problems which may require the Psychiatric Emergency Service (PES) or COAST crisis services. Intake criteria Referred from family physician (principally non-FHT) or medical specialist who is able to provide on-going care. Patient is aware of and agrees to referral. Age 18 years and over
- 2. Dialectical Behavioural Therapy (DBT) Stream
  Standard DBT This is a 12 month individual and group therapy program for patients diagnosed with
  Borderline Personality Disorder.

Duties & Responsibilities	Learning Opportunities		
<ul> <li>Reception filing, putting together manual binders, organizing office supplies, preparing registration packages, photocopying and faxing</li> <li>Shadow/observe healthcare professional within the clinic</li> <li>support patients in completing surveys assist with orientation group</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To see how a busy mental health clinic runs</li> <li>To see what systems are in place and used</li> <li>To see the different mental health therapy streams</li> <li>have exposure to all disciplines including addictions</li> </ul>		
Desired Skills	Student Expectations		
<ul> <li>Ability to stay calm and work in a busy/stressful environment</li> <li>Excellent observational skills</li> <li>Additional languages may be beneficial</li> <li>Comfortable with extended standing and walking</li> <li>Good hearing and visual acuity</li> <li>Expectations include maturity to recognize need for sensitivity to the patients' privacy and to provide support for patients, families and visitors</li> <li>Ability to follow directions</li> <li>Attention to detail ensuring accuracy at all times</li> <li>Maintains professional /mature behaviours (i.e., no texting or use of personal or program computers for MSN etc.)</li> <li>Confidentiality is vital whether it be pertaining to the duties or overhearing personal information,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete and submit organization's immunization form by the given deadline. If form is not submitted on time, placement start date is delayed</li> <li>Attend and participate in a general hospital orientation prior to the beginning of your co-op placement</li> <li>Review and sign a confidentiality agreement. Ensure that you are upholding the confidentiality of our patients, visitors and family.</li> <li>Complete the Unpaid Learner Safety &amp; Training Compliance Record and return to Co-op Coordinator within 5 days of start of placement</li> <li>Follow proper hand hygiene protocols and practices while at placement</li> <li>Be aware of emergency response plans. Be a part of code drills as well as be aware of emergency</li> </ul>		



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treatment, care etc.			preparedness procedures of your unit/clinic/placement Follow directions given by co-op coordinator and placement supervisor, asking for clarification when needed Do not give advice regarding treatment or care Follow policies and procedures outlined in Co-op Reference Guide, given through email before the orientation Follow corporate professional image standard Arrive on time ready to begin and leave at the end of allotted placement time Take full advantage of learning opportunities while completing placement The intent of co-op placements is to provide students interested in careers in healthcare with an opportunity to learn about a wide variety of careers and therefore are not intended to replace		
			staff.		
Learning Map (Subject to change throughout placement)					
To be discussed and coordinated with student, teacher and placement supervisor at start of placement					
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