



Counseling Internship

Chicago Women's Health Center (CWHC) was established in 1975 as a feminist health collective. CWHC's mission is to facilitate the empowerment of women and trans people by providing health care and health education in a respectful environment where clients pay what they can afford. CWHC does this through five programs: Gynecology, Counseling, Alternative Insemination, Integrative Health, and Outreach & Education. All services are provided on a sliding scale and regardless of a client's ability to pay. CWHC values diversity, striving to represent the communities it serves and to be affirming of all identities and life experiences. CWHC's modified collective structure means that every member has input into policy decisions and shares responsibility for the work of the organization.

Position: Counseling Intern, providing individual, couples, and group counseling services. Counseling is provided from a feminist relational perspective and the values of client self-determination and empowerment are seen as an integral part of the therapeutic relationship.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Maintain a caseload of 10-12 clients for individual counseling per week. Presenting issues may include depression, anxiety, trauma, relationships, health, etc.
- Maintain accurate, confidential, timely, and HIPPA-compliant records.
- Co-facilitate groups with counseling staff or volunteers.
- Provide time-limited pregnancy and gender transition related sessions.
- Conduct intakes and provide information about the counseling program to prospective clients and to other therapists and agencies.
- Attend regular counseling committee meetings, yearly counseling committee retreat, and participate in case consultation. Interns are asked to present a case consultation over the course of their internship at committee meetings.
- Notify the counseling director and direct supervisor about the following in a timely fashion:
 - suicidal clients (within 24 hours)
 - clients needing medication referral and evaluation (prior to client's next session)
 - all terminations, whether initiated by client or counselor (prior to client's next session)
 - the inclusion of partners, family members, or friends in therapy sessions (prior to the establishment of joint session)
 - crisis situations that arise involving clinic clients or staff (within 24 hours)
- Act as a resource and assist other counselors/collective members with handling client crises.

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Benefits: Academic requirements such as paperwork, supervision, and evaluation will be completed by health center staff. Weekly supervision by staff or a volunteer counselor, monthly group supervision with other interns, regular committee meetings and case consultation, monthly didactic trainings on the feminist-relational framework and other clinical issues, participation in collective environment.

Skills and Qualifications: Open to second-year Masters social work or counseling students and fourth-year PsyD students with previous counseling experience. Applicants must have excellent interpersonal, communication, assessment, therapeutic, and crisis intervention skills.

Application Requirements:

- Cover Letter
- CV/Resume
- 2-3 Letters of Recommendation

Submission Instructions:

Submit application requirements to Jane Flotte via email or postal service. Applications are accepted between January 2nd, 2019 and January 31st, 2019. Those who are invited to complete the second round of the application process will be notified on February 4th and will receive a short essay prompt due on February 8th. Internship will begin July 29rd, 2019 and end in June or July of 2020, depending on degree level. Only complete applications will be considered.

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