

OFFICE OF FIELD EDUCATION

EDUCATIONAL CONTRACT EXAMPLE: ADVANCED CLINICAL PLACEMENT

I. PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY

Work Plan Examples

- Meet other clinical professionals to understand and distinguish them from social work professionals
- Advocate for clients and their families by communicating their needs to interdisciplinary team
- Attend CEU Workshops to continue professional development as an advanced level Social Work student
- Participate in interdisciplinary meetings and provide social work perspective on client cases
- Demonstrate strong advocacy in discharge and resource referrals
- Identify resources, coordinate services, with a comprehensive understanding of other professional approaches
- Conduct oneself professionally within the agency and when representing the agency

II. VALUES AND ETHICS

Work Plan Examples

- Demonstrate the ability to provide effective and unbiased services to clients.
- Identify ethical dilemmas during supervision
- Demonstrate ability to recognize personal biases and implement strategies to resolve any ethical dilemmas
- Refer to NASW Code of Ethics and Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners Code of Conduct to resolve ethical dilemmas
- Keep a log of situations that trigger countertransference as a tool to recognize patterns and address these biases in supervision

III. CRITICAL THINKING

Work Plan Examples

- Implement theoretical knowledge (give examples), clinical intuition, personal and professional experience when working with clients
- Assist in identifying issues and solutions within an interdisciplinary team
- Use critical thinking skills to assess and evaluate every interaction and intervention
- Analyze assessment information and demonstrates a linkage between assessment, goals, and interventions
- Incorporate different approaches to problem solving and solution finding

IV. DIVERSITY

Work Plan Examples

- Identify different communication skills and interventions for diverse client populations
- Refer to multiple resources like journals, books, articles etc. to gain understanding of working with diverse population
- Consider cultural context when working with client's history and discussing their treatment plans
- Attend community/agency diversity training
- Demonstrate knowledge and skill when working with culturally diverse clients
- Apply cultural competence practice model in setting that is diverse
- Identify how personal culture impacts clinical skills/communication
- Conduct a training on a chosen diverse group to agency staff

V. HUMAN RIGHTS & SOCIAL JUSTICES

Work Plan Examples

- Demonstrate understanding of oppression, show awareness of barriers to access services
- Articulate the effect of discrimination and oppression on the progress of client. Offer appropriate recommendations for service
- Apply knowledge of oppression using individualistic perspective to guide clinical practice

- Identify economic, racial, cultural, political, and institutional oppression and how it impacts client's lives and reflect on the findings during supervision
 - Identify how the agency mission is connected to Human Rights & Social Justice
-

VI. RESEARCH

Work Plan Examples

- Identify research findings relevant to ongoing clinical practice in the agency
 - Review and discuss articles on the best practices used by other community agencies addressing similar situations
 - Apply research based knowledge while conducting sessions with clients and applying appropriate interventions and techniques under supervision or independently
 - Identify evidence-based practice Interventions
 - Identify ways to assess the effectiveness of interventions
-

VII. HBSE/THEORY

Work Plan Examples

- Articulate theories that apply to clinical situations which best serves the client
 - Use supervision to discuss the different theoretical approaches and identifying which interventions may be the most appropriate to apply with clients at different point in their treatment
 - Demonstrate progress from using supervision to choose from theoretical approaches to practicing and testing them directly with clients
 - Show strengths and natural inclinations for various clinical approaches and choices made accordingly
-

VIII. SOCIAL POLICY

Work Plan Examples

- Analyze how policy affects clients at the macro, mezzo, and micro levels
 - Use critical thinking to establish strategies that will assist in implementing policy change
 - Help to create a policy development committee of colleagues and professionals to create a legislative agenda
 - Demonstrate understanding of a variety of barriers that clients experience due to inadequate social policy i.e. lack of access to social programs or resources
 - Provide a student's critique of policy and policy changes focused on the organization's administrative policy and its impact on the clients served
 - Create a media scan report for the agency on current policy or political trends relevant to the agency
 - Create a listing of local and statewide legislators working on policies relevant to the agency and clientele
-

IX. PROFESSIONAL CONTEXT

Work Plan Examples

- Show awareness of different communication styles and models as they relate to client population
 - Demonstrate awareness of the changing societal trends, organizational structures, and various technological developments that can affect practice. Explore responses to these changes with the supervisor to ensure the treatment provided is effective
 - Engage with other staff members to identify gaps in services and lack of appropriate resources for the clients
 - Provide leadership in on-going projects or events
-

X. PRACTICE

Work Plan Examples

- Observe and participate in group work where evidence base theories are being applied
- Meet regularly with supervisor to review and strengthen case note documentation
- Demonstrate leadership in developing termination plan for the clients
- Engage with other staff members to develop/discuss evidence base intervention plan for the clients
- Conduct Psychosocial Assessments, family therapy sessions, participate in treatment review meetings
- Document and demonstrate social work intervention effectiveness with clients
- Utilized problem solving, strengths perspective, Solution-Focused Brief Therapy, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Motivational Interviewing, and Crisis Intervention in practice with clients and identify which practice interventions are appropriate for each population