Childhood Trauma Treatment Program
Clinical Psychology Advanced Practicum Training Program
An APA accredited internship site

This is a 20 hour per week advanced practicum externship training experience, totaling 1,000 training hours over the course of one calendar year. Hours are accrued Monday through Friday.

An ideal applicant to our program has a passion for working with children, adolescents, and families who have experienced trauma and maltreatment. Many of our patients are from underserved communities and have experienced complex and intergenerational trauma. The applicant should have a desire to learn Evidenced Based Practices to support the healing of these patients. An ideal applicant is open to a well-rounded clinical experience that includes individual and group supervision and exposure to didactic presentations of theoretical understandings and therapeutic approaches.

Location: Hybrid model of treatment to increase patient access to services throughout the Chicagoland area. 2 days per week expected on site for patient care, supervision, and administrative functions.

Start Date: July 5, 2023; Training position is 52 weeks in duration.

Schedule: Externs maintain a 20 hour per week schedule, typically providing approximately 8 billable patient service hours per week. Interns will receive 2 hours of individual supervision and 2 hours of group supervision per week on a variety of topics (listed below).

Clinical Services: Provision of outpatient therapy to children, adolescents, and families. Many of these cases are children and adolescents with significant histories of abuse and neglect and may be involved with the foster care system (DCFS). Some cases are children and adolescents (age 14 and under) with problematic sexual behaviors (PSBs).

Additional Clinical Exposures: A.) AAH Provider clinical conference and consultation - Weekly; Externs will experience collaboration and consultation with the behavioral health service line providers of AAH; B.) Diversity/multiculturalism - Monthly; Externs will experience a monthly didactic is focused on exploring a variety of diversity and multicultural topics; C. Peer mentorship - Weekly; Meeting between all levels of training, including interns and externs. Interns will provide an article presentation on a variety of topics once per month.

Estimated Weekly Work Hours for Externs
8 hours Direct contact providing clinical services with patients
8 hours Therapeutic case management activities; clinical documentation activities and report writing; collateral contacts associated with patients; preparation for supervisions; various other administrative functions and activities; preparation for clinical services
1 hour Group supervision
1 hour Didactic training
2 hours Individual clinical supervision
20 total work hours per week