HIGH QUALITY DOCTORAL PRACTICUM TRAINING IN THE SOUTH BAY AREA

Each year, Community Health Awareness Council (CHAC) selects up to 15 practicum trainees to work alongside up to 8 Doctoral Interns and 50 MFT Trainees and Associates in CHAC’s Training Program. We carefully select individuals based on their competence, compassion, and integrity. CHAC Trainees and Interns represent all ages and cultural backgrounds.

CHAC Trainees spend two days in a school-based setting (elementary, middle or high school) working with students individually and with teachers/parents collaboratively. In addition, each Trainee will see child, adolescent and adult individuals, couples, and families in our downtown Mountain View clinic for medium to long-term psychotherapy.

CHAC also has an Assessment Clinic serving the community, and a consult group each week to provide training and consultation on assessment. Practicum students will conduct assessments through this clinic.

Practicum training at CHAC requires an academic year commitment of approximately 20-25 hours per week, with the option to continue through the summer, and to start as early as mid-June.

CHAC is a placement of choice for 15 local universities for students enrolled in Psy.D. and Ph.D. programs. We work closely with BAPIC to ensure our training standards meet national standards. The aim of CHAC training is to bring trainees to a higher level of competence and confidence in their work through intensive supervision and training experiences. We have an integrative approach and believe that therapists should gain experience with a variety of orientations. We find the tools that are most consistent with a therapist’s own style, personality and preferences – providing the opportunity to increase their ability to connect effectively with a wide spectrum of clients.

LATINX TRAINING PROGRAM

CHAC’s Latinx Training Program provides weekly individual and group supervision with bilingual licensed Psychologists. Emphasis is placed on process-oriented supervision by means of audio-tape, video, or direct observation.

Group supervision is on Thursdays. There is a mandated weekly training, relevant to the practice of clinical psychology, on Thursdays as well.
Applicants for this program must demonstrate interest in working with a Latinx clientele, be willing to develop expertise in multicultural responsiveness, and be able to conduct psychotherapy in Spanish.

**Applicants please send/email resume and two Letters of Recommendation to:**

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