

PROJECT ABSTRACT

Program Title: Opioid and Substance Use in Integrated Behavioral Healthcare

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Funds Requested: \$409,289 (Year 1); \$1,227,211 (Total 3 years)

Accredited Program Table: Doctoral Psychology School or Program **X**

Project Overview/Description: Florida Tech School of Psychology's Opioid and Substance Use in Integrated Behavioral Healthcare Training Project will strongly enhance the current doctoral clinical psychology curriculum by providing more specialized training in opioid and substance use prevention and treatment and experience in providing these and other behavioral health services via a tele-behavioral health platform. This project will provide training slots for a diverse cohort of 35 clinical psychology doctoral students (Psy.D.) over the three-year grant period within clinics of the a) Brevard Health Alliance (BHA), Brevard County's only Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) serving the uninsured and underserved, and b) Parrish Medical Group-Titusville, an NCQA Patient Centered Medical Home located in a Medically Underserved Area and HRSA Primary Care Shortage Area. Since 2011, students have participated in practicum training with BHA and more recently, with Parrish primary care team members, representing the disciplines of family/internal medicine, nursing, and psychiatry, and the program has been highly successful in training psychologists who continue to serve the underserved. The current project will help to meet local and national workforce needs for diverse psychologists with competencies in providing evidence-based behavioral health and opioid and substance use services in an integrated primary health care setting, while increasing disadvantaged groups' access to these needed services. In addition, this project will fund the development and provision of inter-professional education aimed at reducing gaps in the current training of Florida Tech clinical psychology doctoral students, clinical faculty, and other community health providers. The Project Director, in collaboration with our partner organizations, national experts, and consultant will develop and oversee seminars/in-service trainings in opioid and substance abuse screening and treatment, motivational interviewing, tele-behavioral health, pain management, and trauma-based care.

Project Objectives: 1) To expand services delivered by trainees to include increased screening, prevention, intervention, referral, and recovery support for patients with opioid use and substance use disorders; 2) To increase the number of students, faculty, and health professionals trained in opioid and substance abuse screening and treatment, tele-behavioral health, motivational interviewing, pain management, and inter-professional collaboration; and 3) To increase access to behavioral health and substance use services by making tele-behavioral health services available to the underserved in Brevard County, Florida.

Eligibility for Funding Preference and Priority: We are requesting a MUC Funding Preference based on Qualification 1: of the 31 PsyD program graduates in 2016-2017 and 2017-2018, 20 work in practice settings (65%) primarily serving residents of communities in medically underserved areas or mental health HPSAs. We are also requesting a Funding Priority because we have a documented track record of having trained psychology professionals to work in integrated care settings.

PROJECT SUMMARY/ABSTRACT

Project Title: Centerstone Doctoral Internship in Psychology Program	
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Grant Program Funds Requested: \$1.35 million	

1. Project Title: Doctoral Internship in Psychology Program

2. Program Type: Internship Program

3. Brief Overview: Centerstone's Doctoral Internship in Psychology Program provides one-year internship opportunities to doctoral level psychology students. Using a didactic and experiential model offered in an integrated healthcare setting, interns gain critical hands-on experience while expanding the capacity to serve and treat clients with OUD and SUD who reside in Manatee County and Sarasota County, Florida.

4. Measurable Objectives: The program's measurable objectives are: 1) to place and train 18 doctoral level psychology students over three years; and 2) to expand tele-behavioral health sites from one to two locations; 3) to engage three community partners as experiential training sites; and 4) to train four staff members in OUD and SUD prevention and treatment.

5. How the proposed project will be accomplished: Centerstone, one of the nation's largest mental health providers, will expand its existing Doctoral Internship in Psychology Program to provide one-year internships to an additional 18 doctoral level students over three years. The program will partner with three local organizations -- AllCare Medical Center, Turning Points, and CenterPlace Health, to expand local capacity in Manatee and Sarasota Counties, Florida, two areas that are deeply impacted by the current opioid crisis and documented as health professional shortage areas (HPSAs). The program will provide participating interns with critical, up-to-date, hands-on experience where at least 25% of their time will be spent in experiential training environments within integrated healthcare settings. The program also uses a didactic training curriculum developed based on current research, national and local trends, local needs, and stakeholder input (including the interns themselves). The two primary goals of the program are: 1) To increase the number of doctoral health service psychologists trained in integrated, interdisciplinary OUD and other SUD prevention and treatment services to serve in high need and high demand areas; and 2) To increase the skills and knowledge base of Centerstone staff around OUD and SUD prevention and treatment.

6. Eligibility for Funding Preference: Centerstone is eligible for *priority funding* as it has trained psychology, psychiatry, and social work professionals to work in an integrated care setting. Centerstone also qualifies for *funding preference* under the Qualification 1: High Rate criteria for having at least 50% of all students completing the internship between 2016 and 2018 currently practicing in medically underserved areas. (See Attached Documentation)

i. Project Abstract

Integrated OUD and SUD Training Program in South Florida: A Capacity Building Project in Clinical Psychology

Program Type: Doctoral Clinical Psychology (PSY.D) Program

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Albizu University (AU), Miami, Florida, proposes to expand the training of Psy.D. students in Miami by establishing a specialized training track on Opioid and Substance Use Disorders (OUD and SUD) prevention and treatment. The purpose of the project is to develop the OUD/SUD-specific training plan and expand the practicum training positions to enable **six doctoral psychology (Psy.D.) students** (2 students per year over three years) to develop skills in the provision of culturally competent, evidence-based screening, evaluation, and treatment of OUD/SUD in integrated behavioral health care settings. The proposed project will be organized around the development of OUD/SUD treatment core competencies under the mentorship of AU's faculty experts and enriched by the experiential training from a year-long practicum rotation at a community-based partner: Borinquen Medical Centers, a Federally Qualified Health Center providing high-quality primary medical care and behavioral health services to nearly 50,000 low-income medically underserved individuals in Miami-Dade County. The **overall goal** of the proposed project is to train a cadre of doctoral level clinicians (Psy.D.) to practice on the frontlines of the opioid crisis in Miami-Dade County, Florida, a culturally diverse urban social environment. The specific objectives of this application, which are significant steps in achieving the overall goal, are fivefold: (**Objective 1**) Increase the number of practicum training slots to enable 6 Psy.D. students, who are committed to working on the frontline of the opioid crisis, to receive integrated interdisciplinary training in OUD and SUD prevention and treatment; (**Objective 2**) Develop an integrated, interdisciplinary team-based care training plan for Psy.D. students with a focus on OUD and SUD prevention and treatment; (**Objective 3**) Develop a faculty training plan to increase the number of faculty experts in OUD prevention and treatment; (**Objective 4**) Design and implement a curriculum to enhance the tele-behavioral health technology skills of Albizu University's students, faculty, and community-based partners; and (**Objective 5**) Establish partnerships between Albizu University and community organizations providing OUD /SUD services. Under the direction of a highly qualified and seasoned Project Director, Dr. Scott Hyman (.20 FTE) and a Project Coordinator (to be hired) with the support of highly qualified SUD, OUD, and addiction experts (Dr. Fiellin, AHEC), telehealth consultant organization (SETRC), an expert Evaluation team (BSRI), and significant support of in-kind institutional resources, the project continues AU's educational mission to *educate professionals in behavioral sciences, speech pathology and other disciplines, committed to research, to improve quality of life, and to serve diverse communities*. Sustainability of the project is central to all project-planning discussions and project activities (Objective 5), which includes the establishment of an interdisciplinary advisory committee across all stakeholders (Inter-Professional Training Core Steering Committee) that will guide the sustainability planning and action beyond the life of the grant.