

Approved Field Placement Agencies

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Albion

Boone County Health Center

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As an innovator in rural healthcare, we are committed to providing our patients and communities with the highest quality care and service. Boone County is a general medical hospital and provides a variety of medical social work services in an acute and outpatient setting.

Student will observe and then independently provide discharge planning including many roles such as advocate, resource finder, and educator. Student will also participate in an interdisciplinary team and a variety of other meetings. Student will work mostly with the elderly population but will provide services ranging from birth to the end of life. Due to the acute nature of the facility, hospitals deal with life and death issues.

Broken Bow

Central Plains Center for Services

Nancy Ferguson

908 South E St.

(308) 872-6176 (68822)

Students in this placement will assist in the various programs provided by the agency. Programs provided include parents as teachers (increases parents knowledge of and confidence in child-rearing); preparation for adult living services (prepare youth to live independently at some point in their future); rehabilitation programs (reduce recidivism of the first and second time offenders); jobs program (bring children out of poverty by helping their parents increase their opportunity for self-sufficiency and independence).

Cambridge

Senior Life Solutions/Tri Valley Health System

1305 Highway 6 & 34 (69022)

(308)697-1163

This agency provides an intensive geriatric outpatient program. The Senior Life Solutions program is designed to meet the needs of older adults experiencing a variety of problematic behaviors, thoughts and living patterns. The program works to improve emotional stability and increase general functioning, as well as help patients identify, develop, and increase the use of effective coping skills by emphasizing the existing strengths of the individual and/or family system. Senior Life Solutions recognizes that each person has unique situations, problems and needs. Therefore, an individualized treatment plan is developed for each patient. Senior Life Solutions utilizes a comprehensive approach to treating each patient, offering a variety of therapies and activities including evaluations, individual/group/family therapy, medication management and discharge planning.

Tri Valley Health System

This agency offers a variety of health care services to the individuals in the community of Cambridge and surrounding areas. The student will assist with discharge planning activities and assist individuals and families as they transition from the hospital to various other living facilities and services available. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Students in this placement will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Columbus

Columbus Community Hospital

Joanna Jarecke

4600 38th St. (68601)

(402) 562-4489

This agency offers a variety of health care services to the individuals in the community of Columbus and surrounding areas. The student will assist with discharge planning activities and assist individuals and families as they transition from the hospital to the various other living facilities and services available. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Student in this placement will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Good Neighbor Health Center

Lindsay Starman

4321 41st Ave

402-562-7500 ext. 292

The Good Neighbor Health Clinics is a non-profit free health care facility providing care to uninsured and underinsured adults who need basic care. The student would work closely with individuals helping find financial assistance for medications. The student would provide coordination of services, screening, and short-term case management of client.

Goodwill Behavioral Health

Tonya Ingram

1804 S. Eddy St.

(308) 627- 6449

Goodwill Industries is dedicated to helping people with disabilities or barriers reach their goals and improve their quality of life. This agency offers both community support and day rehabilitation services for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness. The placement provides an opportunity for the student to be a part of case management to help individuals stabilize in the community. Students also could facilitate support /education groups, attend team meetings, do home visits and write up treatment goals. The student will spend a lot of time working directly with clients and community resources.

Cozad

Cozad Community Health System

Dranoel Fleharty

300 East 12th St.

Cozad, NE 69130

This agency offers a variety of health care services to the individuals in the community of Cozad and surrounding areas. The student will assist with discharge planning activities and assist individuals and families as they transition from the hospital to the various other living facilities and services available. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Student in this placement will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Fremont

Lutheran Family Services

Dru McMillian

1420 Military

(402) 941-0075

This agency provides primarily children services with a variety of programs offered to families. The Young Family Incentive program offers services to children ages 0-5 and the behavioral health program provides services to children 0-18. The agency provides case management for families, parenting support and education and coordination with other community services. The student will observe and work closely with these programs. Student will be directly involved in working with a variety of diverse families. Student will also work with minority population due to the make-up of the community.

Methodist Fremont Hospital

Karen Baber

450 E 23rd St.

(402) 727-3384

This agency offers a variety of health care services to the individuals in the community of Fremont and surrounding areas. The hospital has 50 acute beds, 20 inpatient behavioral health beds, serves older population and has about 300 births each year. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Students will work with complex cases and provide support and resources to individuals and will be involved in limited discharge planning as do other hospital social workers.

Gering

Nebraska Probation Administration, District 12

Kadee Bayless

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Gering, NE 69341

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The Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation (AOCP) internship program provides both undergraduate and graduate/professional students with an experiential learning opportunity to promote professional development and increase skills specific to the Judicial branch. Select interns shall be advanced students with higher expectations who will observe, assist, participate and complete identified tasks and functions within the office or administrative unit. Select interns who are approved for the program are temporary Judicial Branch employees.

Grand Island

First Light- Central Nebraska Child Advocacy Center

Shannon Krejci

2335 N Webb Road (68803)

(308)385-5238

Provides forensic interviewing and referrals to children and families. First Light Child Advocacy Center (formally Central Nebraska Child Advocacy Center (CNCAC)) serves 10 counties; which include: Clay, Garfield, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Howard, Merrick, Nuckolls, Webster, and Wheeler. Within these 10 counties, CNCAC, works collaboratively with Health and Human Services, Law Enforcement, County Attorneys, Schools, Community Partners and Counselors. Students would work with family advocate.

Hope Harbor

Bri Cleveland

615 W 1st St.

(308)-385-5190

Hope Harbor offers a variety of services for families who are experiencing homelessness. They offer basic needs and supportive case management to help individuals/families to work towards self-sufficiency and permanent housing. They offer a variety of services to include emergency and transitional shelter and community assistance. The student will be working closely with individuals and families working on setting goals through case management, teaching classes, working on budgeting and referral to community services. Student will work with a wide variety of diversity, substance abuse, trauma and mental health issues.

Grand Island School System

Carrie Sheldon

2124 North Lafayette (68803)

308.385.5950 ext. 8210

School Social Work

Grand Island schools supports and advocates for social workers in the school. They have 17 social workers employed in the school system each covering a different school area. The social worker works together with student, parents, school personnel, community agencies and others to make school a successful and relevant experience for students. They assist parents and families in understanding and reducing factors which contribute to school performance problems such as: absence, financial concerns, behavior difficulties, lack of positive peer relationships, legal involvement, health, medical and nutritional concerns, and parenting skills. They provide supportive counseling on a short-term basis, and work with community agencies to understand the needs of the students/families. Students will observe and become active in providing services to children/families that have been identified as needing help.

Goodwill Behavioral Health

Heather Bradley

1804 S Eddy St.

(308) 384-7896

Goodwill Industries is dedicated to helping people with disabilities or barriers reach their goals and improve their quality of life. This agency offers both community support and day rehabilitation services for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness. The placement provides an opportunity for the student to be a part of case management to help individuals stabilize in the community. Students also could facilitate support/education groups, attend team meetings, do home visits and write up treatment goals. The student will spend a lot of time working directly with clients and community resources.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Attn: Cindy Bremer

208 N Pine St.

P.O. Box 2440

(308) 390-4971 (68802)

NDHHS is the state agency that offers a variety of programs for all age groups and needs. Student will work primarily in Child Protective Services (CPS) or Developmental Disabilities (DD) or Resource Development (RD).

DHHS is the central agency involved with child abuse and neglect, this placement site give experience in collaborative working relationships with other systems such as school, medical, legal and other community, local and state agencies.

Student working with CPS may participate in individual planning, case management of ongoing cases, home visits and investigation of reports, team and community meetings. Student may also participate in casework which provides direct provision of service to parents, foster parents and children. Student might observe and experience what services are available in the in Adult Protective Services area.

Student working with disabilities will work with individuals and families. They will chair meetings, do home visits, type narratives and help around the office.

RD is the area within HHS that license and monitors foster and adoptive homes for children. Student will be involved in interviewing families for home studies, processing paperwork, conducting background checks, making recommendations and setting appointments with families wanting to become foster or adoptive homes.

Due to regulation of the agency students are more likely to observe for quite a long while before having responsibilities for client contact. This agency will require background checks.

St. Francis Medical Center

Jessica McCord

2620 W Faidley, P.O. Box 9804 (68802)

(308) 398-5396

St. Francis is a general medical hospital serving Grand Island and the surrounding area. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services in an acute and skilled care setting. Student will observe and then independently provide discharge planning, Medicare letters, pre-admission paperwork, ID screens for patient, and observe service coordination for children birth to 3. Student will also participate in interdisciplinary and other team meetings. Student will work mostly with the elderly population but may work with a variety of populations including pediatrics, geriatrics, cancer patients or general medical illnesses. Due to the acute nature of the facility, hospitals deal with life and death situations.

St. Croix Hospice

Charla Rasmussen

2550 N Diers Ave

(308) 318-0768

This agency provides hospice care to families and individuals who have been diagnosed with a life limiting illness and have been given 6 months or less to live. The philosophy of hospice care is to alleviate physical discomfort while providing emotional, spiritual and bereavement support. Hospice is an alternative of care giving when a physical cure is no longer possible. The student will work in a variety of settings in providing the patient services. These include in home, assisted living or nursing home. The student will observe and then independently provide emotional support, assess psychosocial status and needs of patient and families, and participate with interdisciplinary teams. Student will be dealing directly with death and dying. This agency covers a lot of counties in the state and most of the time is spent traveling to see patients.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)- Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership (CNCAP)

Tanya Williams, CSW

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Grand Island, NE 68801

308-745-0780 ext. 122

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Veteran Homeless Outreach. Work with homeless and nearly homeless Veterans and their families to find and maintain stable housing. Work with Clients on finding full-time work or applying for SSDI/SSI, work on budgeting, and refer them to the appropriate organizations to get the help they need. Also, do outreach to other professionals and organizations to build professional relationships/connections and get/ask for much-needed supplies/donations for CNCAP clientele.

Hastings

Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital

Patrick Kern

715 N. St. Joe Avenue

(402) 461-5198 (68901)

Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital, serving the city of Hastings and surrounding communities is a non-profit, 183-bed acute care facility. Students will participate in discharge planning, health education, resource linkage and referral brokering and supportive counseling with patients and families. Students will mainly work with the older population but may also work with a variety of populations including pediatrics, geriatrics, cancer patients or general medical illness. Due to the acute nature of the facility, hospitals deal with life and death situations.

Hebron

Blue Valley Community Action

Julie Hibbs

1202 Union (68370)

(402) 768-6704

Blue Valley Community Action develops community activities that eliminate the causes of poverty and ameliorate the condition of poverty within our area. We have flexibility to try new approaches with our core funding resource and we mobilize local, state and national resources to provide the activities and services needed for motivating individuals and creating opportunities for self-sufficiency. Some services are traditional, but innovation is an important part of our organization. The organization has a history of establishing solutions to area needs. The ultimate vision is to have safe and supportive communities and for individuals to be financially secure. Everyone has the opportunity to develop their full potential. Students will have the opportunity to work across programs and directly with clients, assisting with intakes and assessments, providing services and referrals, and helping clients to set goals toward self-sufficiency.

Thayer County Health Services

Dianne Meyer

120 Park Ave

402-768-6041

This agency offers a variety of health care services to the individuals in the community of Hebron and surrounding areas. The student will assist with discharge planning activities and assist individuals and families as they transition from the hospital to the various other living facilities and services available. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Student in this placement will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Holdrege

Christian Homes

1923 W 4th Ave

(308) 995- 4493 (68949)

This agency is a long-term healthcare facility. Students in this placement will work with elders and other individuals with physical/mental disabilities. Most of the people live here as a long-term placement. Students will participate in interdisciplinary meetings, assessment and orientation of new residents, completing social histories and other facility forms, discharge planning and social activities.

Holdrege Memorial Homes

Bernie Quinn

1320 11th Avenue

(308) 995-8631 (68949)

The Mission of Holdrege Memorial Homes is to provide various accommodations and services for aging persons, disabled persons, and others in need. This agency is a long-term healthcare facility and student will work with elders and other individuals with physical/mental disabilities. Student will participate in interdisciplinary meetings, assessment and orientation of new residents, completing social histories and other facility forms, discharge planning and social activities.

Phelps Memorial Health Center

Michelle

1215 Tibbals St

(308) 995-2211 (68949)

This agency offers a variety of health care services to the individuals in the community of Holdrege and surrounding areas. The student will assist with discharge planning activities and assist individuals and families as they transition from the hospital to the various other living facilities and services available. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Student in this placement will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Kearney

Area Agency on Aging

Rod Horsley

4623 2nd Avenue, Suite. 4

(308) 234-1581

This agency serves individuals 60 years and older. The programs include: Health and Nutrition, Legal, Ombudsman, Care Management, Senior Care Options, Medicaid Waiver, Insurance Counseling & Assistance, and Information/Assistance. Student will be involved in 2 to 3 of the programs offered. Student will go on home visits and visit various services provided in the 14 counties. Student will spend a combination of time on the road traveling and in the office.

Central Mediation Center

Paty Reyes-Covalt

412 W. 48th St. Suite 22

(308) 237-4692 ext. 11

This agency provides mediation, facilitation and conflict resolution training for a 35-county area in central and southwest Nebraska. The agency is a private, non-profit corporation that is funded through grants, fees, and donations. Mediation is a structured process where neutral, professionally trained mediators work with parties to help resolve the dispute. As a student you will work directly with individuals, families and community members to help resolve cases involving permanency planning, child welfare, divorce, small claims and family matters. This agency covers a lot of counties in the state and a considerable amount of time will be spent traveling to provide mediation where the clients live.

Central Nebraska Veterans Home

Dave Kruetzer

4510 E 56th St.

(308) 865-3464

Nebraska Veterans' Home serve veteran's health needs and includes a variety of medical, nursing and rehabilitative services. This agency serves exclusively veterans, both male and female. These services range from assisted living care for members able to essentially care for themselves, to skilled nursing care. The placement offers an opportunity for the student to observe and then do social histories, assessment and interact directly with veterans. Student will also participate in 1 to 1 supportive visit, care plan changes, chart reviews, obtaining notary services, staff and interdisciplinary meetings and testing/evaluating members. The student will assume his/her own cases during the semester, meeting the needs of the members.

CHI – Kearney Hospital- Care Management

Abby Olson

10 East 31st St. PO Box 1990

865-7357

This agency is a medical hospital that staffs social workers in the Case Management Department. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services in an acute care setting. The social workers work in many areas of the hospital such as inpatient, pediatrics, maternity, and cancer center. The student will have opportunities to shadow a variety of areas and independently to provide assessment, discharge planning and make community referrals. Most of the students' time will be in a hospital setting and people admitted to the hospital are generally very ill and in crisis stage.

Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska

Carrie Eureka

114 East 11th Street

(308) 865-1354 ext. 119

Community Action of Mid-Nebraska is a private, non-profit organization servicing 27 counties in south/southeast Nebraska. Our purpose is to help strengthen individuals, families, and communities through education, economic, health, housing, nutrition, and transportation supports. Core programs include Affordable Housing/Weatherization, Case Management, Emergency Assistance, Food Bank, Head Start/Early Head Start, Immunizations, Senior Centers, WIC, and RYDE Transit. Our programs are designed to meet the most pressing community needs. Our goals are to help individuals and families identify and remove barriers to self-sufficiency so that they can reach their fullest potential.

Kearney Housing Authority

Michaela Rut

2715 Ave I

308-234-3000

This agency provides housing assistance to seniors, person with disabilities and families and single individuals. The agency thrives for self-sufficiency through planned support programs and connects residents to community resources to enable them to achieve an increased quality of life. Student will work with a diverse population with very different needs and work with many different agencies to meet these needs.

Kearney Public School

Lori McArthur

320 West 24th

308-627-3892

Kearney schools support and advocate for social workers in the school. They have 8 social workers employed in the school system each covering a different school area. The social worker works together with students, parents, school personnel, community agencies and others to make school a successful and relevant experience for students. They assist parents and families in understanding and reducing factors which contribute to school performance problems such as: absence, financial concerns, behavior difficulties, lack of positive peer relationships, legal involvement, health, medical and nutritional concerns, and parenting skills. They provide supportive counseling on a short-term basis, and work with community agencies to understand the needs of the students/families. Students will observe and become active in providing services to children/families that have been identified as needing help.

Kearney Regional Hospital

Sarah Maulsby

804 22nd Ave

308 455 8347

This agency is a medical hospital that staffs social workers in the Case Management Department. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services in an acute care setting. The social workers work in many areas of the hospital such as inpatient, pediatrics, maternity and cancer center. The student will have opportunity to shadow a variety of areas and independently to provide assessment, discharge planning and make community referrals. Most of the student's time will be in a hospital setting and people admitted to the hospital are generally very ill and in crisis stage.

Kearney Tabitha Hospice

Heather Galvan

804 22nd Ave

402-560-0200

This agency provides hospice care to families and individuals who have been diagnosed with a life limiting illness and have been given 6 months or less to live. The philosophy of hospice care is to alleviate physical discomfort while providing emotional, spiritual and bereavement support. Hospice is an alternative of care giving when a physical cure is no longer possible. The student will work in a variety of settings in providing the patient services. These include in home, assisted living or nursing home. The student will observe and then independently provide emotional support, assess psychosocial status and needs of patient and families, and participate with interdisciplinary teams. Student will be dealing directly with death and dying. This agency covers a lot of counties in the state and most of the time is spent traveling to see patients.

Nebraska AIDS Project

Stacie Brueggeman

11 West Railroad Street

Ph: 308-338-0527

Nebraska AIDS Project, serving the entire region, acts to eliminate the spread of HIV and provides comprehensive services to all people affected by HIV and AIDS.

Student will gain a broad perspective of social services in a health care setting. Student could participate in individual and group services, case management and resource referral and brokering. Student will provide services to clients at various stages of the disease and will visit clients in various types of living situations. Due to the nature of the disease student will occasionally be dealing with death and dying issues.

Nebraska State Probation – District 9

Mary Shultheis

2022 Ave A

(308) 236-1251

Probation provides correctional services to adults and juveniles. Probation coordinates services and assists clients in completion of their probation terms. Students will work with a diverse background of ages, race and gender. They will observe and be involved in working closely with clients working towards rehabilitation. Student will collaborate with other agencies to provide evidence-based practice to help client's successfully complete probation. The student will provide services ranging from presentence/predisposition, investigation, assessment, supervision, case management and placement. This placement is recommended only for students with Criminal Justice education/background.

Region III Behavioral Health

4009 6th Ave. Ste 65

P.O. Box 2555 (68848)

(308) 237-5113 ext. 253 -Tammy

This agency is a large regional agency with many programs, but the intern will work primarily with the Professional Partner Program (PPP). The philosophy of the Professional Partner Program (PPP) is strength based, family-centered, and acknowledges families as equal partners. The program promotes utilization of the least restrictive, least intrusive, developmentally appropriate interventions in accordance with the strengths and needs of the youth. Student will provide care coordination for children and adolescents with serious emotional disorders and their families. This is an excellent opportunity to observe multisystem that interface with the school system, medical system and legal system and with other social service providers.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Casey Smith

24 West 16th St. P.O. Box 218

(308) 385-6158

NDHHS is the state agency that offers a variety of programs for all age groups and needs. Student will work primarily in Resource Development (RD), Bridge to Independence (B2I), Child Protective Services (CPS) or Developmental Disabilities (DD).

RD helps license and monitor foster and adoptive homes for children in need of placement. Student will be involved in interviewing families for home studies, processing paperwork, conducting background checks, make recommendations and setting appointments.

B2I is a voluntary program that provides support for people between the ages of 19-21 as they go from foster care to adulthood. Student will be involved in working directly with a youth in providing advice, helping to access resources and help identify next steps to meeting the individual's goals.

CPS insures that children are in a safe environment. They also give families referral information. Students will observe intakes and assist with the intake and ongoing workers.

DD students will serve in the role of service coordinator. The student will be responsible for seeing that individuals with disabilities are receiving adequate services and funding through the state of Nebraska. They will go on home visits, attend various interdisciplinary meetings and help implement treatment plans and goals.

Due to regulation of the agency, students are more likely to observe for quite a long while before having responsibilities for client contact. This internship will provide education on the services this important agency has to offer. Almost all other agencies connect in some way with HHS services. This agency will require background checks.

Richard Young Hospital

Julie Mc Caslin

1755 Prairie View Place

(308) 865-2234

Richard Young hospital is an inpatient psychiatric facility for individuals of all ages over the age of 14. They provide crisis mental health care, case management and stabilization services as well as provide group, family and individual psychotherapy, patient and family education. Students will be able to observe and be involved in caring for patients, meeting their basic safety needs, lead group-related to healthy behaviors, team-decision making processes, discharge planning, patient advocacy, strength-based treatment and holistic thinking within the context of a medical mental health facility.

Safe Center

Nikki Gausman

3710 Central Ave Suite 10

237-2599

The S.A.F.E. Center is a not-for-profit organization that serves clients who are victims of domestic violence or sexual assault. The S.A.F.E. Center provides information and resources to empower victims to create positive changes in their lives. A student will work in the programs serving victims of domestic battery and of sexual assault. Activities can include participation in support groups, observation of court activities and securing Orders of Protection, training on crisis telephone line, accompanying medical and legal advocates, individual work with client, gathering statistical information, and attendance at agency staffing and participating in community education programs. Due to the uncertain nature of reporting domestic violence, client interaction can be low.

Vocational Rehabilitation

Cassie K.

315 W 60th St. Suite 400

(308) 865-5343

Vocational Rehabilitation is an employment program for people with disabilities. We help people with disabilities make career plans, learn job skills, get and keep a job. Our goal is to prepare people for jobs where they can make a living wage and have access to medical insurance. Student will be involved in various programs offered by this agency. Students will spend time traveling to many counties and working with multi systems in the community such as school, legal and medical.

Lexington

Lexington Public Schools

Kristi O'Meara

1610 N Washington

308-324-1259

The social worker works together with student, parents, school personnel, community agencies and others to make school a successful and relevant experience for students. They assist parent and families in understanding and reducing factors which contribute to school performance problems such as: absences/financial concerns, behavior difficulties, lack of positive peer relationship, legal involvement, health, medical and nutritional concerns and parenting/child relationships. They provide supportive counseling on a short-term basis, and work with community agencies to understand the needs of the student/family. Student will observe and become active in providing services to children/families that have been identified as needing help. The Lexington school system will offer a lot of diverse and cultural experiences in working with this school population.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Dominic Heimann

P.O. Box E, Dawson County Courthouse

(308) 324-6633

DHHS is the state agency with the sanction to investigate child abuse. The student will be involved in the investigation team, needs assessment and ongoing service provision. Their role will likely be observation, due to legal restriction. Student may also participate in casework, which provides direct provision of service to parents, foster parents and children. Since DHHS is the central agency involved with child abuse and neglect, this placement site gives experience in collaborative working relationships with other systems such as school, medical, legal and other community, local, and state agencies

Tri-County Hospital

Kristine

1201 N Erie St.

308-324-5651

Tri County is a general medical hospital serving the Lexington and surrounding area. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services. Student will observe and then independently provide discharge planning and resource finding in the community. Student will work with individuals across the spectrum from birth to death. Students will participate in interdisciplinary team and a variety of other meetings. Due to the acute nature of the facility you will deal directly with life and death issues.

Lincoln

Cedars Home for Youth Services

Jenna McCoy

620 N 48th St

(402) 434-5437

CEDARS is a large multi-program agency that provides care to children in emergency shelter, foster care, group homes and programs that serve teen pregnancy and young at-risk parents. Students in foster care could participate in monitoring parental visits of foster children, provide direct services to parents, observe legal proceedings or attend staffing.

Students working with the young parents could provide direct services, case management services and brokering services. Students in the emergency shelter or group home programs could help with group activities, case management, intakes, discharge planning and working on behavioral plans and goals. Delegation of area student will work in is determined by the student and the agency.

Central Plains Center for Services

PALS program

Nancy Ferguson

(308) 872-6176

Students in this placement will assist in the various programs provided by the agency. Programs provided include: parents as teachers (increases parents knowledge of and confidence in child-rearing); preparation for adult living services (prepare youth to live independently at some point in their future); rehabilitation programs (reduce recidivism of the first and second time offenders); jobs program (bring children out of poverty by helping their parents increase their opportunity for self sufficiency and independence)

Jenda- possible paid internship

Erin Martin

Jeff Schmidt- president

815 K St.

(402) 474-0011

This agency provides services to families and individuals working with DHHS and/or probation. They provide family support, intensive family preservation, mental health treatment and evaluations, drug testing and foster care. The student as a Family Support worker will work alongside families to achieve individual goals. The student will be assigned 4 to 5 families that they will work with independently. Family support services may include activities such as accessing community resources, searching for employment, budgeting, establishing parenting guidelines, and implementing other strategies to encourage family success. Hours will vary and include weekends/evenings depending upon the needs of the families.

NASW – Nebraska chapter

Terry Werner

650 'J' Street

(402) 477-7344

The National Association of Social Workers provides strength and unity to the profession of social work in Nebraska. This macro social work experience will allow the student to understand how policy is made and the impact it has on the profession and the individuals we work with. The student will work directly with the director in advancing sound and equitable social policy. The student will work closely in monitoring, prioritizing and advocating for legislative bills that are identified as relative to social work and advocacy for individuals, families and communities. The student will have the opportunity to testify on legislative bills of interest and take an active part in the unique unicameral process in Nebraska. Student will assist in planning and implementing student Legislative Day.

Nebraska AIDS Project

Lacie Bolt

1921 S. 17th St

(402) 476-7000 (68502)

Omaha office: Samantha Willey (402)552-9260 ext. 108)

Nebraska AIDS Project, serving the entire region, acts to eliminate the spread of HIV and provides comprehensive services to all people affected by HIV and AIDS. Student will gain a broad perspective of social services in a health care setting. Student could participate in individual and group services, case management and resource referral and brokering. Student will provide services to clients at various stages of the disease and will visit clients in various types of living situations. Due to the nature of the disease student will occasionally be dealing with death and dying issues.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Attn: Doug Kriefels

1050 N Street

(402) 471-7000

NDHHS is the state agency that offers a variety of programs for all age groups and needs. Student has the option to work in Child Protective or Adult protective services. Student will chair meetings, do home visits, type narratives, make referrals, set appointments, help around the office and shadow other areas. Student will work independently with their own caseload of 2 to 4 clients after initially observing the staff and getting to know the client. Due to regulation of the agency students are more likely to observe for quite a long while before having responsibilities for client contact. This agency will require background checks.

St. Elizabeth Regional Hospital

Denise Vargas

555 S 70th St.

(402)-219-8750

This regional hospital serves Lincoln and surrounding areas. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services. Student will observe and then independently provide discharge planning and resource finding in the community. Student will work with individuals across the spectrum from birth to death. Students will participate in interdisciplinary team and a variety of other meetings. Due to the acute nature of the facility you will deal directly with life and death issues.

Tabitha Hospice

Kadi Holmberg

4720 Randolph.

(402) 486-8506

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McCook

McCook Community Hospital

Attn: Becky Mai

1301 East H

308-344-2650

This agency is a 25-bed critical access community hospital that offers a variety of health care services to the individuals in the community of McCook and surrounding areas. The student will assist with discharge planning activities and assist individuals and families as they transition from the hospital to the various other living facilities and services available. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Student will also be involved in the Hospice program. Student in this placement will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Nicole Peterson

108 West D St

308-345-8420

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Norfolk

Asera Care – Hospice Services

Michelle Kment

120 N 27th St.

(402) 649-2599

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Behavioral Health Specialists

Dr. Peterson

600 South 13th Street

(402) 370-3140

Behavioral Health services help individuals, couples, children and families who are struggling with mental and behavioral health issues. Experiences available for the student could include therapeutic foster care case coordination, tracker services, family support program or respite coordination. Student will have the opportunity to coordinate all aspect of care for youth placed in foster care, develop treatment plans, conduct support groups and work with community resources.

Faith Regional Health Services

Valerie Preister

2700 Norfolk Ave.

(402) 644-7533

Faith Regional is a regional referral center in Norfolk, Nebraska. The hospital offers Centers of Excellence in cardiovascular care, cancer care, physical rehabilitation and obstetrics. Medical services are delivered at multiple locations. The student will assist with discharge planning activities and assist individuals and families as they transition from the hospital to the various other living facilities and services available. The student will become familiar with the area of medical social work, have a lot of individual contact with patients, actively work with a multi-disciplinary team and make many referrals to other resources in the area. Student in this placement will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Region 4 Professional Partners

Deb McCoy

3003 Dover Drive

(402)370-3100

This agency is a large regional agency with many programs, but the intern will work primarily in child welfare programs. Student will work with the Professional Partner Program primarily. The philosophy of the Professional Partner Program (PPP) is strength based, family-centered, and acknowledges families as equal partners. The program promotes utilization of the least restrictive, least intrusive, developmentally appropriate interventions in accordance with the strengths and needs of the youth. Student will provide care coordination for children and adolescents with serious emotional disorders and their families. This is an excellent opportunity to observe multisystem that interface with the school system, medical system and legal system and with other social service providers.

Norfolk Veterans Home

Emily Rogers

600 E. Benjamin Ave.

(402) 370-3515

Nebraska Veterans' Home serve veteran's health needs and includes a variety of medical, nursing and rehabilitative services. This agency serves exclusively veterans both male and female. These services range from assisted living care for members able to essentially care for themselves, to skilled nursing care. The placement offers an opportunity for the student to observe and then do social histories, assessment and interact directly with veterans. Student will also participate in 1 to 1 supportive visit, care plan changes, chart reviews, obtaining notary services, staff and interdisciplinary meetings and testing/evaluating members. The student will assume his/her own cases during the semester, meeting the needs of the members.

North Platte

Great Plains Regional Medical Center

Darrian Krysl

1601 W Leota

308-534-9310

This agency is a medical hospital that staffs social workers in the Case Management Department. The social workers work in many areas of the hospital such as inpatient, outpatient, healthy start, home health/hospice, mental health and cancer center. The student will have opportunity to shadow a variety of areas and independently to provide assessment, discharge planning and home visits. Most of the student's time will be in a hospital setting and people admitted to the hospital are generally very ill and in crisis stage.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Christine BourquinLewuin

200 South Silber

(308) 660-0412

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RD helps license and monitor foster and adoptive homes for children who need placement. Student will be involved in interviewing families, processing paperwork, conducting background checks and setting appointments.

CPS insures that children are in a safe environment. They also give families referral information. Students will observe intakes and assist with the intake and ongoing workers.

DD students will serve in the role of service coordinator. They will be responsible for seeing that individuals with disabilities are receiving adequate services and funding through the state of Nebraska.

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Saint Francis Ministries

Katie Gillen

121 N. Dewey Suite 201

(620) 757-0677

We believe it's best when families can stay together, so we work hard to keep them together and to make reunification possible. We offer: Family Support/Parenting Time; Family Centered Treatment; Foster Care/Respite Care; Intensive Family Preservation/Reunification; Drug Testing; Adoptive Home Studies. Students will work with foster families and meet with children. They will have the opportunity to assist with Home Studies.

Omaha

Alegent-Lakeside Hospital

Cindy Hackwell

16901 Lakeside Hills Ct.

Omaha, NE 68130

402-717-8346

A general medical facility providing services to the Omaha area. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services in an acute care setting. Student will learn about and independently perform psychosocial assessments, area referral resources, discharge planning and Home Health or Hospice referrals. Student will gradually become independent in working with clients and providing the needed services for the patients. Student will work mostly with elderly patients with medical problems and disabilities.

Asera Care Hospice

Kelly Keller

8710 Frederick

Omaha, NE 68124

402-926-2680

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Catholic Health Services

Emily Montoya, MSW, LMHP, CMSW

Director of Care Coordination

16901 Lakeside Hills Ct

Omaha, NE 68130

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402-990-0843 (M)

402-717-8938 (F)

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Acute care hospital, students will provide discharge planning, SDOH screening and goals of care. This agency is a medical hospital that staffs social workers in the Case Management Department. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services in an acute care setting. The social workers work in many areas of the hospital such as inpatient, pediatrics, maternity, and cancer center. The student will have opportunities to shadow a variety of areas and independently to provide assessment, discharge planning and making community referrals. Most of the student's time will be in a hospital setting and people admitted to the hospital are generally very ill and in crisis stage.

Central Plains Center for Services

Doug Lenz

dlenz@central

4521 Leavenworth St. 68106

Student in this placement will assist in the various programs provided by the agency. Programs provided include: parents as teachers (increases parents knowledge of and confidence in child-rearing); preparation for adult living services (prepare youth to live independently at some point in their future); rehabilitation programs (reduce recidivism of the first and second time offenders); jobs program (bring children out of poverty by helping their parents increase their opportunity for self sufficiency and independence).

Heartland Family Services

Heather Bird

1016 Park Ave #221

Omaha, NE 68105

402-342-9555

This agency provides strength-based services to vulnerable children and families in Omaha and southwest Iowa. The philosophy of care is to strengthen individuals and families in the community through education, counseling and support. The agency provides services in the area of addictions, child abuse, community services, domestic violence, early childhood development, juvenile delinquency, mental health and poverty and homelessness. The student would work closely with programs that were of most interest. The student will observe and then be able to work independently with children and families in providing them emotional support, assess psychosocial status and participate with interdisciplinary teams.

Lasting Home Recovery Center-CHI

Tina Sedersten, LIMHP, LISW

Director Care Coordination

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Lasting Hope Recovery Center (LHRC) is a free standing 24/7 acute psychiatric inpatient hospital in Omaha, NE. LHRC is a part of CHI Health/Common Spirit Health. LHRC provides inpatient psychiatric services to adults with severe mental health or co-occurring mental health/substance abuse disorders. Common Spirit Health philosophy, we make the health presence of God known in our world by improving the health of the people we serve, especially those who are vulnerable, while we advance social justice for all.

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Camas Steuter
11949 Q Street
(402)595-1325

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Omaha Home for Boys

4343 N. 52nd Street
(402) 457-7103

Dedicated to the mission of strengthening youth and families, this agency serves 62 boys ages 8-18 who live in group homes supervised by house parents. The student will observe and then work independently in the area of admissions. Admissions is responsible for processing applicants, interviewing, giving recommendations, working with team members and placing new youth in the facility. As desired, student will also have an opportunity to work with other members of the interdisciplinary team. A background check is required. This agency has very strong support and a good reputation in the Omaha community.

Omaha Home for Boys—Transitional Living

Nancy Ferguson

(308) 872-6176

Projects include the Transitional Living program, which gives young adults a chance to learn practical living skills in a moderately structured environment. The facility, called Jacobs' Place, is an apartment complex owned by the Boys' Home and supervised by trained staff. The staff serves as role models for the young men and women residing at Jacobs' Place, and offers guidance in handling the daily problems associated with living independently. Student will be involved in the many activities of the agency. Student will assist with admissions, discharges; help with teaching living skills, group sessions and making referrals to community agencies.

OMNI Behavioral Health

Kate Sorrell

402-397-9866

5115 F St.

The mission statement of OMNI is to improve the living conditions of families in our community. This is a nonprofit agency that provides a variety of services to individuals and families in the Omaha area. OMNI provides Intensive Family Preservation (IFP) services in several areas of Nebraska. IFP is a 15-week team approach service that provides therapeutic and skill-building interventions within the home. Families referred may have severe mental health issues, abuse & neglect issues, or youth with serious emotional and behavioral disturbances. The major goal of this program is to prevent an out-of-home placement of the youth or reunify families and stabilize placement. OMNI provides this service to preserve the family's integrity and prevent unnecessary out-of-home placements, to put adolescents and their families in touch with community resources for long term outside support, and to strengthen the family's coping skills and capacity to function effectively in the community after treatment is completed.

OPS/Early Intervention program

Michaela Harrington

3215 Cumming Street, Room 4073

(402) 557-2390

Student will be working with 0 -3-year-old population and their families. Student would act as an intake service coordinator contacting families and providing resources and referrals. Student will gain a broad perspective of social services in a health and educational setting.

St. Francis Ministries

Heather Carlson

3311 N 93rd St.

(402) 591-9735

A large multi-system private agency in Nebraska that provides services to children and families throughout the state. The services the agency provides are family preservation foster home licensing and mental health services. The student will be allowed to observe and then participate in all aspects of the services. An excellent opportunity to observe multi-systems in that the child welfare worker must often interface with the school system, medical system, and legal system and with other social service providers.

O'Neill

Asera Care Hospice

Kathy Arens

421 E. Douglas

402-336-2219

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Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Casey Smith – supervisor

(308) 385-6158

Jackie Meyer, Justy Nelson- workers

128 North 6th St.

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CPS ensures that children are in a safe environment. They also give families referral information. Students will observe intake and assist with the intake and ongoing workers.

DD students will serve in the role of service coordinator. The student will be responsible for seeing that individuals with disabilities are receiving adequate services and funding through the state of Nebraska. They will go on home visits, attend various interdisciplinary meetings, and help implement treatment plans and goals.

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Ralston

Ralston Public Schools

Steve Snodgrass, LCSW

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Ralston, NE 68127

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Interns will have the opportunity to work on school attendance plans, school refusal assessment, special education law, juvenile justice, state ward communication, educational neglect VS truancy, board meetings, community collaboratives, agency resources to include basic needs assistance, mental health, medical, and legal. Students will be exposed to all areas of school social work practice so that they can begin to develop a comprehensive understanding of the position. Ethical practice in working as a change agent in a busy and complex environment with multiple stakeholders are often discussed at length in supervision. Developing clinic skill via case reviews and observation as well as record keeping, and clear and timely professional communication are essential skills.

Scottsbluff/Sydney

Aging Office of Western Nebraska

Steve Trickler

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Scottsbluff, NE 69361

(308)635-0951

Steve.trickler@aown.org

AOWN mission statement is to provide a comprehensive and coordinated service delivery system to assist elderly citizens to remain safe and independent in their own homes and community. The agency works with individuals over the age of 60 and with their families. Services they provide include long-term case management, health promotion, senior care options, Medicaid waiver, nutrition services, Lifeline and DME, information, assistance and referrals. Students will spend a combination of time on the road traveling and in the office.

Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services

P.O. Box 508

1030 South D St. (68822)

Contact: Courtney Armstrong

308-436-6500

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Student working with CPS may participate in individual planning, case management of ongoing cases, home visits, investigation of reports and team and community meetings. Due to regulation of the agency students are more likely to observe for quite a long while before having responsibilities for client

contact. Student will learn the necessary skills needed to become a Child and Family Services Specialist.

Regional West Medical Center

Jodi Willats, MSW

4021 Avenue B

Scottsbluff, NE 69361

308-630-1974

Jodiwillats@rwhs.org

Acute care hospital and level two trauma center. Interns will work with social workers to assist patients and their families in a variety of ways, including but not limited to:

- *Emotional support to both patients and families
- *Confidential referrals to outside agencies
- *Support in coping with grief and loss

Will ease patients' transition to post-hospital care through careful palling and assessment. Assisting with referral and linkage for the following services:

- *Home Care Options
- *Specialized durable medical equipment
- *Nursing home arrangements and coordination
- *Options for in-home assistance and support
- *Education/coordination on available community resources

York

York General Hospital

2222 Lincoln Avenue

(402) 362-0440

York General Health Care Services is committed to providing you with the highest quality health care available. This agency provides a variety of medical social work services in an acute and skilled care setting. Student will observe and then independently provide discharge planning, Medicare letters, pre-admission paperwork and ID screens for patient. Student will also participate in an interdisciplinary team and a variety of other meetings. Student will work mostly with the elderly population but may work with a variety of populations including pediatrics, geriatrics, cancer patients or general medical illnesses. Due to the acute nature of the facility, hospitals deal with life and death situations.

Asera Care – Hospice Services

401 North Lincoln

(402)-362-7733

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