



Organization Name:

Palo Verde Behavioral Health Hospital

Organization Background:

Palo Verde Behavioral Health is a Level I behavioral health hospital in Tucson, Arizona, serving patients for over 50 years. PVBH was purchased by United Health Services in 2013 and has since been remodeled to create an aesthetically appealing facility for patients to feel safe in. PVBH serves patients dealing with substance abuse, general mental health, and patients with serious mental illness residing in Arizona, including Tucson, Yuma, Casa Grande, Phoenix, and Flagstaff.

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Internship Project Title

Public Health Intern

Project Description:

Public Health Interns will administer group health education on relevant public health topics to behavioral health patients. Interns will also apply knowledge about relevant health disparities seen in the community served at PVBH. Interns will work on integrating public health and behavioral health, focusing on comorbidities that are commonly seen at the facility and in the behavioral health community. Interns will work with social workers, therapists, nurses, doctors, and administrative faculty to broaden the scope of treatment and give patients the best and most integrative care the facility can offer.

Internship project keywords (check all that apply). These keywords help students search for internships in our database based on their areas of interest:

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| ☒ Health Disparities | ☒ Reproductive/Sexual Health |
| ☐ Public Health Preparedness | ☐ Environmental Health |
| ☐ Collaborations with Community | ☐ Maternal/Infant Health |
| ☐ Collaborations with University | ☐ Tobacco Use |
| ☒ Community health service | ☐ Injury/Violence Prevention |
| ☒ Physical Activity | ☐ Immunization |
| ☒ Substance Abuse | ☐ Infectious Disease |
| ☒ Mental Health | ☐ Oral Health |
| ☐ Access to care | ☐ Evaluation |
| ☐ Nutrition | ☐ Policy Development |

- ☐ Program Planning
☐ Data Analysis

☐ Other Click or tap here to enter text.

When: When do you want the work done? Check all that apply.

☐ Fall Semester 2017

☐ Spring Semester 2018

☐ Summer 2018

☒ I want this listing to remain active indefinitely and we will accept applications from students for any upcoming semester.

Where:

Palo Verde Behavioral Hospital, 2695 N. Craycroft Rd. Tucson, AZ 85712

Address where Student will work (if different from above): *Click or tap here to enter text.*

☐ Check here if the student may have the option to work remotely from a site not listed above for all or part of this project.

Student Characteristics:

Students should have exemplary organizational skills, as well as the ability to prioritize and manage time well. Students should also exhibit empathy and active listening skills when talking with patients and should be comfortable interacting with patients and staff.

Level of Expertise Needed: *Do you wish to request an MPH program intern or an undergraduate public health program intern? Note: The field-based internship for undergraduates should provide an experience that allows students to incorporate classroom learning into public health practice. Graduate student internships differ as the students should be required to apply advanced knowledge and skills to the solution of health problems. Both experiences prepare students for future employment.*

☐ MPH

☒ Undergraduate

☐ Either

Supervision

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Director of Operations

Compensation/Benefits

Unpaid

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