

The Family Strengthening Center at Family Programs Hawaii is pleased to offer practicum and clinical experiences opportunities in adult, adolescent and child mental health for the 2021 to 2022 academic year. Start date is at or around September 1, 2021. The Family Strengthening Center (FSC) is a non-profit community mental health Center whose mission is to protect children and facilitate healthy development by strengthening their families. Through its parent organization, FSC is accredited by the Council on Accreditation, a nonprofit accreditor of human services programs. The Center provides statewide psychological evaluations, consultation services, and therapy services only on Oahu at this time. The FSC is also a training center, and in addition to the Mental Health practicum, provides Doctoral Psychology Practicum, Doctoral Psychology Internship and Post-Doctoral Psychology Fellowship training. This practicum and clinical experience program provides up to 1,000 to 2,000 hours of supervised experience during a calendar year. Currently, the FSC provides diagnostic, intervention and advance practicum experiences. Practicum students need to be matriculating in a graduate program at a regionally accredited university/college. We also provide clinical experience that may be required for licensure for Master Level Mental Health providers. Mental health professionals will minimally need a Master Degree in a mental health related area from a regionally accredited university/college. Applications are being accepted now until August 1, 2021. For more information, visit our Center's website and or contact the Center's Director, Dr. Steven J. Choy. The practicum training includes opportunities in the following areas:

**For Clinical Psychology Practicum Graduate Students**

- Forensic Comprehensive Psychological Evaluations for Adults, Adolescents, and Children and Developmental Clinical Evaluations for Toddlers and Infants
- Opportunity to develop psychological evaluations skills to assess the needs of Hawaii's diverse population including completing evaluations on Kauai, Maui, Molokai, Lanai and Hawaii Island in addition to Oahu (evaluations are completed on periodic day trips to the other islands)
- Evidence-based child and family treatment to include Parent-Child Interaction Therapy and Child Parent Psychotherapy
- Evidence-based individual trauma focused psychological treatment and trauma informed care
- Children's Group Therapy and Child Crisis Therapy and Mental Health Crisis Management
- Comprehensive training in the diagnosis and treatment of Child Maltreatment
- Opportunity to participate in the Annual Hawaii International Trauma Conference
- Opportunity to participate in Hawaii's Specialty Courts: Zero-To-Three; Family Drug Court, Juvenile Drug Court and Girls Court and provide psychological consultation to a multidisciplinary court team
- Opportunity to participate in the psychosocial support services programs at the Family Programs Hawaii that focuses on strengthening children in foster care and youths that have aged-out of foster care. Programs also support resource caregivers and reunification with parents.

**For Non-Clinical Psychology Practicum Students and Mental Health Professionals**

- Evidence-based child and family treatment to include Parent-Child Interaction Therapy and Child Parent Psychotherapy
- Evidence-based individual trauma focused mental health trauma informed treatment
- Family Therapy, Children's Group, Crisis Counseling, and Mental Health Crisis Management
- Mental Health Screening
- Comprehensive training in the assessment and treatment of Child Maltreatment
- Opportunity to participate in the Annual Hawaii International Trauma Conference



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