Position Title: Infant Mental Health Psychology Extern

Location: Dahlia Campus for Health and Well-Being; 3401 Eudora St., Denver, CO 80207

Contact for student:
Position filled for 2019/2020 academic year. Please check back in the future!

Brief Program Description: The Right Start for Infant Mental Health team is an outpatient program for pregnant women and families with a child aged birth to five years. The team works exclusively with peripartum women, infants, toddlers, preschoolers and their families. Many families have been referred by Child Protective Services due to documented histories of child abuse and neglect and involvement with the foster care system. We complete an initial evaluation process utilizing assessment measures such as the Working Model of the Child Interview and the Crowell Play Procedure to better understand various aspects of the caregiver/child relationship and identify areas for clinical intervention. We offer comprehensive, trauma-informed, attachment-focused interventions, and utilize several evidence-based practices including Child Parent Psychotherapy, Parent Child Interaction Therapy, and Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy. The Right Start team is located at the Dahlia Campus for Health and Well-being in North Park Hill, a unique and innovative space developed to support multi-generational families in the community and featuring a 40,000 ft urban garden and aquaponics greenhouse, a dental clinic, a preschool, and a day treatment program.

Title and Hours required:
- Infant Mental Health Psychology Extern
- 15-20 hours a week along with a 9-12 month commitment. The placement follows the academic year and begins in the fall (August or September).
- Applications are accepted beginning in February for the upcoming year’s placement with interviews typically occurring in March.
Minimum Qualifications and # of openings:
2nd year Psychology Doctoral Student, up to 2 openings (1 bilingual)

Student Supervisor’s Credential Level: Licensed Psychologist

Duties of Placement and Miscellaneous Information:
Following an initial period of training and shadowing opportunities, the student position will ultimately participate in all core clinical services offered through the Right Start for Infant Mental Health team. These duties will be tailored to the developmental level and training interests of particular extern, but will include managing a caseload of 5-8 consumers and possible co-facilitation of groups if interested. The student will participate in a minimum of 1 hour of weekly individual supervision while also having the opportunity to participate in additional small group supervisions, case consultations, and team meetings (team meeting/group supervision is Mondays 11:00am-1:00 pm).