



Clinical Practicum Application

Name: _____

Preferred pronoun (check all that apply): she/her he/him they/them

Quarter for which you hope to start practicum (check all that apply):

Winter Spring Summer Fall

Are you in a graduate program that requires specific hours for CO-AMFT certification?

Yes | No | Unsure

I am a: Trainee with an anticipated graduation date of (Month/Year): _____ | Associate

The licensure I am pursuing is: LMFT | LPCC | LCSW | Other: _____

Thank you for your interest in training with Open Paths Counseling Center. Open Paths is a nonprofit community counseling center serving individuals and communities who otherwise may not have access to quality, culturally-affirming, affordable mental health services. Your work with Open Paths will make a difference in their lives.

In order to fulfill our obligations to you and to our clients, Open Paths requires the following commitments:

- Commitment to a 12-month contract with Open Paths for your clinical practicum
- Availability on Thursdays between 1-3PM for weekly clinical training
- Willingness to participate in a 9-month Outreach Program
- Must be in personal psychotherapy during Practicum
- Must be willing to co-facilitate a group for at least 6 months
- Must be willing to work at least one evening and/or weekend day, if needed

I _____ understand and agree to the commitments required to participate in Open Paths Counseling Center's Clinical Training Program.

In an effort to ensure an appropriate fit between our training program and your professional development, we would like for you to answer the following questions. All information will be treated in a professional and confidential manner.

1. Why are you interested in training with Open Paths Counseling Center? Are you interested in a specific program or programs? If so, which ones and why?
2. Describe your personal experiences in psychotherapy?
3. How do you feel that your own life experiences will come to bear on your work as a psychotherapist?
4. Do you have a preferred theoretical orientation? If so, what is it and why?
5. What are some challenges you anticipate encountering when working with clients from historically marginalized and/or underserved communities?
6. How do you anticipate addressing potential intersections of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, ability levels, and/or socioeconomic status? What countertransference you might anticipate and how will you deal with it?
7. Do you speak another language(s) fluently, and if so, what language(s)? What languages, other than English, are you willing to provide therapy in?

8. Do you have a specific population(s) that you are hoping to work with during your practicum placement? Do you have school requirements to work with this, or any other, specific population(s)? If so, what are the requirements?

9. At Open Paths, we serve children, adults, couples, and families. We provide individual, couples, family and group counseling. Is there any segment of our population, or types of services, that you are not willing to provide services for?

10. Please discuss your work habits. For example: Are you able to arrive on time, or do you have a tendency to be late? Are you able to maintain good/professional boundaries, or do you have a tendency to want to give so much of yourself that you might have a hard time setting limits? Do you have any difficulty with 'paperwork' such as procrastinating when it comes to 'writing,' or any other difficulties that may lead to delaying timely progress notes writing? ¹

Signature

Date

¹ Updated Oct. 2022