

Training & Internship Programs

ABOUT VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (VCBH)

The Ventura County Behavioral Health Department (VCBH) provides mental health and substance use treatment services. VCBH plays an important role as an integrated component of the Ventura County Health Care Agency. The Crisis and Referral Line ([1-866-998-2243](tel:1-866-998-2243)) is the entry point for access to all Ventura County Behavioral Health Services. Individuals needing health services or who are experiencing a mental health crisis should call this number. We are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We provide support for individuals and families who are in crisis; people considering suicide; or those struggling with mental illness, substance use, or both.

VISION:

Ventura County Behavioral Health envisions a community where our diverse residents are respected and empowered so those impacted by mental health and substance use can heal, thrive, and lead a healthy, engaged life.

MISSION:

Ventura County Behavioral Health is committed to reducing stigma and discrimination. We promote wellness through a whole-person care approach where clients and families are empowered by appropriate, accessible, timely, culturally sensitive, and collaborative behavioral health services.

VALUES:

Respect * Equity * Integrity * Compassion * Collaboration & Quality

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

- Field specific experience with mentorship and supervision
- Community based clinics with multi-disciplinarian teams
- Evidence-based practices and supplemental trainings.
- Participate in case consultation and treatment team meetings
- Offers practical experience required to apply for the following job opportunities:

Doctoral Practicum: [Staff Psychologist Job Description](#)

Mental Health Associate Intern : [Mental Health Associate Job Description](#)

MSW/MFT: [Behavioral Health Clinician Job Description](#)

Behavioral Health Worker: [Alcohol & Drug Treatment Specialist I Job Description](#)

[Mental Health Associate Job Description](#)

CLINIC LOCATIONS: Practicum location opportunities vary annually

Youth & Family Services: <https://vcbh.org/en/programs-services/youth-family-services>

Transitional Age Youth Services: <https://vcbh.org/en/programs-services/transitional-age-youth-16-25>

Adult/Older Adult Services: <https://vcbh.org/en/programs-services/adult-services>

Substance Use Services: <https://www.vcbh.org/en/programs-services/substance-use-services>

TIME COMMITMENT:

- Length of commitment varies (range of two semesters to 12-month commitment) per practicum/internship/traineeship opportunities.
- A minimum time commitment of 16 hours per week is required
- Practicum hours are scheduled during regular clinic hours