



# South Carolina DMH **Internship Programs**

An unmatched internship opportunity with a world-class mental health organization.



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# SC Department of Mental Health Internship Programs

The SC Department of Mental Health is one of the leading mental health providers in the country.

## About Us

The South Carolina Department of Mental Health (SCDMH) offers a full array of **evidence-based mental health services for adults, adolescents, children, and families**. Our extensive network of community mental health centers, clinics, hospitals, mobile crisis teams, nursing homes, and school counseling services make us an ideal internship opportunity for students.

At SCDMH, we are home to a rich and vibrant community of mental health therapists, physicians, nurses, and counselors who are passionate about helping people live their best lives.

In 2022, we celebrated our 200 year anniversary making us the second oldest state run mental health provider in the country.

## Internship Opportunities

Our internship opportunities are designed to help you build a strong foundation for a successful career in the mental health profession. Internships are available for a variety of students to include those interested in the fields of **nursing, counseling, social work, and psychology**. Clinical experiences include the following key components.

- Outpatient mental health services
- Inpatient clinical services, support, and care
- Clinical assessment and treatment planning
- Integrated screenings and outcome monitoring
- Comprehensive care coordination

## The SCDMH Advantage!

### Unique & Diverse Clinical Settings

- Work in a psychiatric hospital, school system, community center, or mobile crisis teams. The opportunities are limitless!

### Unmatched Clinical Experience

- Earn your clinical hours through direct care with patients under the supervision and guidance of our experienced team.

### Supportive Work Culture

- We value a collaborative team environment and are here to help and support you!
- Build your professional network!

### World-Class Training

- Participate in training sessions at one of our centers, join a Grand Rounds, or attend the Lowcountry Mental Health Conference. Our interns have numerous opportunities for education and training.

## Evidence Based Practice

Our clinical services are grounded in evidence based clinical methods and students will learn and be exposed to a wide variety of these practices to include:

- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)
- Trauma Focused CBT
- CBT for Suicide Prevention
- Dialectic Behavioral Therapy (DBT)
- Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS)
- Multi-Dimensional Family Therapy
- Parent Child Interactive Therapy
- Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing (EMDR)

## Clinical Supervision

Students on a clinical track should expect **at least one hour per week of one-on-one supervision** with their supervisor. Students can also expect to be a part of routine treatment team meetings led by a psychiatrist.

## Training Opportunities

Our interns will have access to a wide variety of training and professional development experiences that are offered to staff on an ongoing basis. These include in-person classroom/workshop style trainings, virtual clinical reviews and consultations, and access to conferences and seminars such as the annual Lowcountry Mental Health Conference held in Charleston every summer.

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### School Mental Health Certificate Program

This unique program offers a valuable internship opportunity for graduate students in their final year with an interest in school mental health counseling. This internship provides the opportunity to participate in schools across the state. In addition, students will:

- Earn **600 internship hours** through the SCDMH School Mental Health Services Program
- Obtain extensive clinical experience to include **shadowing, co-therapy** (with DMH clinicians) **direct service delivery**
- Gain experience in **case management** and participate in **interdisciplinary teams**
- Complete **30 hours of professional development**

# Join Our Team!

We are looking for passionate and motivated students interested in making an impact in the mental health field. Contact one of our Mental Health Centers to learn how to apply. Space is limited so we encourage you to contact us today!

Center Name/Location	Phone
Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health Center	(803) 508-7886
Anderson-Oconee-Pickens Mental Health Center	(864) 965-9227
Beckman Center for Mental Health Services	(864) 889-9375
Berkeley Community Mental Health Center	(843) 761-8282
Catawba Mental Health Center	(803) 323-0012
Charleston Dorchester Mental Health Center	(843) 953-3455
Coastal Empire Community Mental Health Center	(843) 473-6409
Columbia Area Mental Health Center	(803) 898-4832
Greater Greenville Mental Health Center	(864) 241-8170
Lexington County Community Mental Health Center	(803) 399-9217
Orangeburg Area Mental Health Center	(803) 536-1571
Pee Dee Mental Health Center	(843) 629-2486
Santee-Wateree Mental Health Center	(803) 934-4114
Spartanburg Area Mental Health Center	(864) 406-8181
Tri-County Community Mental Health Center	(843) 544-4095
Waccamaw Center for Mental Health	(843) 234-8104