

University of Nevada Reno, School of Social Work

Field Practicum Descriptions

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Big Brothers Big Sisters <i>Reno</i>	Facilitates one to one mentoring of high-risk youth (i.e. single parent families, raised by grandparents, in foster care, parent(s) in prison, poverty, etc.). <i>Enrollment, customer relations, interviewing, wait list activities, assessment, case management, policy process.</i>	
Briarwood Treatment Services <i>Reno</i>	Provides services for low to moderate risk adjudicated male juvenile sex offenders and male adolescents with sexual behavior problems. Provide full range of residential group home services and integration back to community living. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, participation in individual, group and family therapy, facilitation of psycho-educational groups, documentation, community coordination activities.</i>	
Carson City Juvenile Probation <i>Carson City</i>	Provides services to courts and coordinates / implements correctional and rehabilitation programs for delinquent youth in need of supervision. Programs and services include crisis intervention; corrections, formal and informal supervision; rehabilitation services for status offenders and delinquents; goal oriented supervision; life skills development and educational tutoring programs; referral and use of community resources. <i>Immersion in legal system for youth, court activities, formal and informal case supervision, collaboration with community agencies, working with youth and their families. *Limited number of hours available in detention as part of experience.</i>	
Carson Tahoe Hospital (Medical) <i>Carson City</i>	Provides a full range of medical services to children, adolescents, adults and geriatrics. <i>Assessment, case management, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Casa de Vida <i>Reno</i>	Provides support services for pregnant young women. Programs include residential therapeutic group home and licensed foster care facility; individual and group counseling; life skills education; drug and alcohol interventions and coordination with multiple community agencies. <i>Case management, discharge planning and community referrals, working closely with adult and juvenile probation programs and jail, individual, family and group interventions.</i>	
Catholic Community Services of Northern Nevada <i>Reno</i>	Provides services and assistance to low income populations and individuals / families in crisis. Services include assistance with food, clothing, shelter, low cost housing and assistance with child care. Additionally, agency maintains a thrift store and provides adoption services. <i>Assessment, community referral, case management, and adoption evaluation.</i>	

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Cedar Hills Resources <i>Elko</i>	Provide services to individuals of all ages and families. Services include drug and alcohol evaluations and counseling; divorce mediation and custody evaluations, adoption services; life skills education and family wellness. <i>Assessment, case management, group participation and facilitation of psycho-educational groups, individual and family interventions, coordination with community agencies.</i>	
Central Lyon Youth Connections <i>Dayton</i>	Focus for this agency is "at risk" eleven to seventeen year old youth living in Central Lyon County. Agency provides assessment, prevention, intervention, referral and educational programs to these youth and their families. <i>Assessment, individual and group interventions, case management, coordination with community agencies.</i>	
Children's Behavioral Services <i>Reno</i>	Provides a range of mental health related services to severely emotionally disturbed children, adolescents and their families. Services include early childhood programs, case management, outpatient counseling, intensive family oriented community based treatment homes and residential treatment for adolescents. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual, group and family interventions, case management, community collaboration.</i>	
Circle of Life Hospice <i>Reno</i>	Provides physical, emotional, mental and spiritual support to patients and families of individuals living with terminal illness. Provide bereavement support to family survivors. <i>Assessment, case management, individual, family and group interventions, coordination with community agencies.</i>	
City of Reno – Community Assistance Center <i>Reno</i>	Serves individuals and families experiencing homelessness, individuals with a variety of disabilities, criminal histories, low income, and other individuals with special needs. <i>Assessment, information and referrals, coordination with community service agencies, program planning, and grant administration.</i>	
Community Chest <i>Lockwood and Virginia City</i>	Utilizes a community-building, citizen empowerment model to build relationships and partnerships among youth, families, adults, and institutions. Services include youth programs, counseling, community advocacy, and systemic interventions. <i>Assessment, case management, program and service development, evaluation, supportive services.</i>	
Crisis Call Center <i>Reno</i>	24 hour service providing emergency telephone intervention, support, information and referrals to any individuals in Nevada. Agency also operates the Sexual Assault Support Service program providing face to face crisis intervention for victims immediately following a sexual assault. Assist with 211 calls statewide. <i>Completion of crisis call training, telephone and face-to-face interventions, coordinating with community resources, updating resources available in the call area covered, independent project coordination, participating in grant writing process.</i>	

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Division of Aging Services <i>Carson City</i> <i>Reno</i> <i>Elko</i>	Providing comprehensive support services for senior citizens in order for them to lead independent, meaningful and dignified lives. Agency provides community based services, elder rights programs, coordination with community resources, caregiver training, advocacy services, elder protective services, etc. <i>Assessment, individual and family interventions, case management activities, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Division of Child and Family Services <i>Carson City</i> <i>Elko</i> <i>Ely</i> <i>Fallon</i> <i>Winnemucca</i>	Provides assessment and case management services to families with children at risk of abuse or neglect. Focus on protection of children, efforts to preserve families, safe and permanent homes for youth. Services include children's protective services, child welfare services, case management, foster care, adoptions, intensive family services, and independent living programs. <i>Assessment, investigations, treatment planning, referral and coordination with community resources, court and legal issues, individual and family interventions, foster care recruitment, permanency planning.</i>	
Eldorado County Human Services <i>South Lake Tahoe</i>	Provides assessment and case management services to families with children at risk of abuse or neglect. Focus on protection of children, efforts to preserve families, safe and permanent homes for youth. Services include children's protective services, child welfare services, case management, foster care, adoptions, intensive family services, and independent living programs. <i>Assessment, investigations, treatment planning, referral and coordination with community resources, court and legal issues, individual and family interventions, foster care recruitment, permanency planning.</i>	
Family Counseling Center of Northern Nevada <i>Reno</i>	Provides services to assist individuals and families dealing with variety of issues including mental health and drug / alcohol counseling, consumer credit counseling and a variety of groups. <i>Individual, family and group interventions, participating in community "Prom Closet," assessment, treatment planning, community referral and discharge planning, mandatory participation in the annual week long "Summer Camp" for youth who have been sexually assaulted (usually happens in June). This event does not count toward practicum hours.</i>	
Family Promise <i>Reno</i>	Coordinates a community-wide effort, of twenty-five congregations from all denominations, to provide shelter, meals and comprehensive assistance to transitional families. Family day center provides laundry and shower facilities as well as telephone and computer access. <i>Case management, referral and coordination with community resources, individual and family interventions, psychoeducational groups.</i>	

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Juvenile Probation – Washoe County <i>Reno</i>	Provides services to courts and coordinates / implements correctional and rehabilitation programs for delinquent youth in need of supervision. Programs and services include crisis intervention; corrections, formal and informal supervision; rehabilitation services for status offenders and delinquents; goal oriented supervision; life skills development and educational tutoring programs; referral and use of community resources. <i>Immersion in legal system for youth, court activities, formal and informal case supervision, collaboration with community agencies, working with youth and their families.</i>	
Kids to Seniors Korner <i>Reno</i>	Mobile, multi-disciplinary clinic and outreach services for at-risk populations such as low-income children, families and seniors. <i>Assessment, case management, information and referral, collaborative partnerships, resource development. Must be bilingual in Spanish and English.</i>	
Lakes Crossing Center <i>Reno</i>	Provides a maximum security facility for the treatment of mentally disordered forensic offenders. Treatment focus is on improving mental health status of individuals so that they can become competent to stand trial. <i>Assessment, individual and family interventions, case management, involvement in treatment team system.</i>	
Lifecare Center of Reno <i>Reno</i>	Provides long term care to elderly adults requiring 24 hour supervision and assistance with daily living needs. Programs include round the clock nursing care, mental and emotional support, family support, allied therapies, and assistance with guardianship, power of attorney and advanced directives. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources, legal aspects of patient care.</i>	
Maplestar Nevada <i>Reno</i> <i>Elko</i>	Foster care agency providing family based residential care for youth. Provides a variety of therapeutic services to youth in residence with the goal of improving emotional and behavioral functioning. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and group interventions, case management, case coordination with community agencies, referral and utilization of community agencies.</i>	
Mohave Mental Health <i>Reno</i>	Provides individual, family, and group therapy to children, adolescents and adults as well as a medication clinic and full case management services. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual, family and group interventions, case management, information and referral, treatment team meetings.</i>	
Nevada Early Intervention Services <i>Elko</i>	Working with infants and toddlers who are at-risk for or who have developmental delays, provide services and support to families to meet the developmental needs of their children with the home and community. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and family interventions, case management, referral and coordination with community agencies.</i>	

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Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence <i>Reno</i>	Provides community outreach, training and education in the areas of domestic violence on a statewide basis. Additional focus on issues of economic justice, legislative and legal areas. <i>Statewide domestic violence coalition, policy development and implementation, resource development, training and technical assistance to community agencies, connection of policy to social work practice.</i>	
Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) – Inpatient <i>Reno</i>	Provides acute behavioral treatment for indigent adults. Offer both crisis unit and inpatient services to adults with acute, severe and chronic mental illness. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, case management, discharge planning, individual, family and group interventions, exposure to mental health court process and multidisciplinary treatment teams.</i>	
Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) – Outpatient <i>Reno</i>	Provides outpatient behavioral and substance abuse treatment for adults with severe and chronic mental illness. Offer a number of programs including PACT program, Mobile Outreach and Safety Team, consumer services program and case management. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, case management, discharge planning, individual, family and group interventions, exposure to mental health court process and multidisciplinary treatment teams.</i>	
Northern Nevada Correctional Center <i>Carson City</i>	Forensic facility treating incarcerated males. Services are provided to address inmates' medical, mental health and addiction issues including a Veterans' program. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and group interventions, legal processes, release planning.</i>	
Northern Nevada HOPES <i>Reno</i>	Provides services to enhance the quality of life for those affected with HIV through ongoing, patient-centered clinical intervention, case management and direct work with the community. Programs include medical treatment, social services, counseling and outreach. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and family interventions, case management, referral and coordination with community resources, community activities. Additional requirement of a drug screen.</i>	
Northern Nevada Medical Center Senior Bridges – Inpatient <i>Reno</i>	Acute geropsychiatric program providing services to seniors with medical, behavioral and emotional difficulties. Treatment focus includes counseling, medication management, and social support created to return seniors to their highest level of emotional health. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual, group and family interventions, case management, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Northern Nevada Medical Center Senior Bridges – Outpatient <i>Reno</i>	Geropsychiatric program providing services to seniors with behavioral and emotional difficulties. Treatment focus includes counseling, medication management, and social support created to return seniors to their highest level of emotional health. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual, group and family interventions, case management, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	

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Program Leadership Alliance of Nevada (PLAN) <i>Reno</i>	<p>A progressive statewide coalition whose mission is to build the strategic capacity of progressive organizations and mobilize them around social, economic and environmental justice issues in order to create more humane public policies. Provides a vehicle for building consensus and collective strategies among progressives on a range of issues including welfare, immigration, taxes, environment, campaign finance reform, economic justice and reproductive choice.</p> <p><i>Not a direct service placement, how policy is developed and implemented related to the above, connection of policy to social work practice.</i></p>	
Project Wraparound In Nevada (WIN) <i>Reno</i>	<p>Wraparound In Nevada serves youth ages 6 to 17 in state / county custody that have special needs related to behavioral and emotional issues.</p> <p><i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and family interventions, case management, coordination with community resources.</i></p>	
Regent Care Center <i>Reno</i>	<p>Provides long term care to elderly adults requiring 24 hour supervision and assistance with daily living needs. Programs include round the clock nursing care, mental and emotional support, family support, and allied therapies.</p> <p><i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources, legal aspects of patient care.</i></p>	
Renown Medical System <i>Reno</i>	<p>Provides a full range of medical services to children, adolescents, adults and geriatrics.</p> <p><i>Assessment, case management, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources.</i></p> <p><i>Must attend Renown Medical Center orientation for volunteers.</i></p>	
Renown Medical System – Skilled Nursing <i>Reno</i>	<p>Provides long term care to elderly adults requiring 24 hour supervision and assistance with daily living needs. Programs include round the clock nursing care, mental and emotional support, family support, and allied therapies.</p> <p><i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources, legal aspects of patient care. Must attend Renown Medical Center orientation for volunteers.</i></p>	
Restart <i>Reno</i>	<p>Provides services to support chronically homeless mentally ill. Offer case management, clinical services, and community outreach.</p> <p><i>Assessment, treatment planning, case management, referral and coordination with community resources.</i></p>	
Rural Clinics (Mental Health) <i>Multiple sites in rural Nevada</i>	<p>Providing individual, family, and group therapy to children, adolescents and adults as well as a medication clinic and full case management services.</p> <p><i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual, family and group interventions, case management, referral and coordination with community agencies, treatment team meetings.</i></p>	

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Rural Regional Center <i>Carson City</i>	Agency serves children, adolescents and adults (and their families) who have developmental disabilities. <i>Assessment, case management, individual and family interventions, transitional planning, coordination with community resources.</i>	
Safe Embrace <i>Reno</i>	Shelter and supportive services for women and families in domestic violence situations. <i>Assessment, case management, individual, family and group interventions, coordination with community resources.</i>	
St. Mary's Medical Center – Inpatient <i>Reno</i>	Provides a full range of medical services to children, adolescents, adults and geriatrics. <i>Assessment, case management, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Ujjima Youth Services <i>Reno</i>	Foster care agency providing family based residential care for youth. Provides a variety of therapeutic services to youth in residence with the goal of improving emotional and behavioral functioning. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and group interventions, case management, case coordination with community agencies, referral and utilization of community agencies.</i>	
University Health Professionals <i>Reno</i>	Work collaboratively with local businesses and juvenile services to provide assessment, individual, family and group therapy to their employees and clients. Geographic area includes Reno, Carson City, and Lake Tahoe. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual, family and group interventions, coordination with community resources.</i>	
UNR Counseling and Student Services <i>Reno</i>	Providing individual and group therapy to students attending UNR. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, individual and group interventions, referral and coordination with community agencies, treatment team meetings.</i>	
UNR Early Headstart Program <i>Reno</i>	Provides comprehensive services to low income pregnant women and children birth to age three. Provide both agency and home based resources dealing with health, mental health, child development, parent training, educational groups and other supports. <i>Assessment, individual, family interventions, case management, information and referrals.</i>	
UNR Office of Student Conduct <i>Reno</i>	Facilitates programs and services for college-age students who have been cited for alcohol and/or substance abuse violations on campus. <i>Assessment, program development and implementation, information and referrals, evaluation.</i>	
Veterans Administration Medical Center <i>Reno</i>	Provides a full range of medical, psychiatric and support services adults and geriatrics involved in the armed services. Services include homeless veterans program, continuing care, mental health clinic, and nursing home. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, case management, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	

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Washoe County Public Guardian <i>Reno</i>	Provides services to protect and support individuals that are in the need of guardianship services because of functional limitations that interfere with effective decision making. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, case management, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Washoe County School District, Even Start Program <i>Reno</i>	Several sites throughout Washoe County supporting young women and their children while they finish high school. Exposure to aspects of school social work, family dynamics, and early childhood education. Services include home visits, parenting programs, and food pantry. <i>Assessment, individual and group interventions, case management, resource development, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Washoe County School District, Family Resource Centers <i>Reno</i>	Agencies provide partnership among families, school and the community. Services include information and referral, advocacy, case management, psycho educational groups and assistance with basic needs. <i>Assessment, individual and family intervention, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Washoe County Social Services – Adult <i>Reno</i>	Provide a wide variety of services to low-income adults. Services include case management, health care assistance, adult protective services, homeless assistance and employment assistance. <i>Assessment and APS investigations, case management, treatment planning, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Washoe County Social Services – Seniors <i>Reno</i>	Providing a wide variety of services for low-income seniors. Services include case management, adult protective services, senior law project, day break program, homemaker services and nutritional programs. <i>Assessment, treatment planning, case management, individual and family interventions, referral and coordination with community resources.</i>	
Washoe County Social Services – Youth <i>Reno</i>	Provides assessment and case management services to families with children at risk of abuse or neglect. Focus on protection of children, family preservation, safe and permanent homes for youth. <i>Assessment, investigations, treatment planning, referral and coordination with community resources, court and legal issues, individual and family interventions, foster care recruitment, permanency planning.</i>	
West Care – Community Triage Center	Medical intervention, detoxification and mental health services for homeless and underserved individuals. <i>Assessment, case management, information and referral, mental health services, and psycho educational groups.</i>	
West Hills Hospital <i>Reno</i>	Provides acute behavioral and substance abuse treatment for children, adolescents and adults. Offer both inpatient and outpatient services. <i>Assessment, case management, treatment and discharge planning, individual, family and group interventions, mental health court and multidisciplinary treatment teams.</i>	