

### **Introduction**

The West Michigan BHWET Consortium is funded by the HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program for Professionals which is designed to increase the supply of behavioral health professionals and improve the distribution of a well-trained behavioral health workforce. The BHWET Program for Professionals has a specific focus on increasing access to behavioral health services for children, adolescents, and young adults in underserved areas.

### **BHWET Program Objectives**

- Increase the number of new or expanded community partnerships with experiential training sites in high-need and high-demand areas.
- Promote collaborative training by using team-based models of care to integrate behavioral health care into interprofessional primary care settings.
- Recruit a diverse workforce interested in working with children, adolescents, and young adults.
- Recruit, develop, and expand the capacity to train clinical supervisors to support and mentor behavioral health trainees.

### **Stipend Support**

Stipend support will be provided to **Pre-Doctoral Psychology** BHWET participants totaling \$36,500, with a bi-weekly disbursement over a period of twelve months. All students receiving financial support through this BHWET Program should be aware that the stipend is not considered salary, the stipend does not have benefits attached unless retirement contribution is elected through Human Resources, and overtime does not apply to stipend support. Note that receiving stipend support may affect financial aid eligibility. We recommend consulting with your financial aid office to understand potential impact to your financial aid package.

### **Conditions for Participation**

All West MI BHWET Consortium Program applicants are required to commit to the following conditions for participation. Please review the following and affirm your commitment by providing your signature below. I will:

- ✓ Complete the field placement or internship.
- ✓ Attend 80% of the Pediatric-focused didactics associated with the program. In extenuating circumstances, reach out to your supervisor at earliest opportunity.
- ✓ Commit to pursuing employment in a high need area working with medically underserved populations.
- ✓ Provide all required information for reporting to HRSA.
- ✓ Apply for and receive a National Provider Identification Number (NPI) and notify the Consortium/entity of the NPI once received, and upon graduation.
- ✓ Provide information to the Consortium post-graduation including employment status and practice location for one year after my training is complete.

**Training Requirements**

Complete the experiential training requirements, which for Pre-Doctoral Psychology students will involve four hours above and beyond normal field experience requirements as this includes training for specialty certification, treatment provision for certification, consultation for certification, interdisciplinary pediatric-focused didactics every other week.

Student Name (Printed)

Other Institutional Signatory Name

Student Signature and Date

Institutional Signatory Signature and Date

Student NPI