Concentration field placements will be conducted at integrated behavioral/mental healthcare sites. Fellows will be part of an interdisciplinary team of health care providers serving individuals and groups of all ages in rural or urban areas. Fellows choosing to travel outside the Pittsburgh metropolitan area may need to provide their own transportation. These fellows may be reimbursed by the fellowship for mileage, if traveling 20 miles or farther round trip to and from the University and the site. In addition to receiving stipends, Baker Fellows may not be paid by their field placement sites, with the exception of mileage reimbursement if the fellowship is not providing reimbursement. For details concerning this policy, please contact the program director.

Baker Fellows should not contact field placement sites or field instructors unless instructed to do so by the School of Social Work Field Office. Fellows will be contacted by the Field Office to attend a Field Placement Orientation. Following the orientation, fellows will begin the process for placement.
Addiction Medicine Services, McKeensport
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Allegheny County
(Underserved Area)
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Addiction Medicine Services offers detox and rehab services for those who have already been detoxed or for those who require medical treatment while in short term residential treatment for substance use disorders. UPMC McKeensport provides a safe environment for patients to be treated for physical chemical dependence, to be stabilized medically, and to be provided with tools and education to begin rehabilitation and evoke a commitment to wellness.

Addiction Medicine Services’ multidisciplinary team believes that addiction is a complex, chronic disorder which can be treated through a combination of medication, psychological counseling, community/peer support, and the help of family and friends. At UPMC McKeensport, they recognize that there are many pathways to recovery.

Social Work Student Internship Opportunity:
A multidisciplinary team of professionals who are specialized in Addiction Medicine will collaboratively develop the individualized treatment plan in conjunction with the patient. The treatment team includes physicians, registered nurses, patient-care technicians, psych specialty counselors, social workers/student intern, evaluator clinicians, case managers, and peer navigation.

- Medical doctors see detox patients daily until discharge and rehab patients as needed.
- Registered nurses assist with admission, assess patient and administered medications according to the doctor’s orders, and collaborate with the treatment team to update care plans, education related to wellness, and discharge planning. Patient care technicians assist RNs.
- Psych Specialty Counselors, Social Workers, Case Managers/Student Intern, and Evaluator Clinicians complete psychosocial evaluations, coordinate necessary referrals and family and individual therapy, supervise group therapy, and collaborate with the treatment team to update care plans.
- Peer navigation provides peer support, which is considered vital to successful recovery and wellness. Twelve step meetings are provided and run by peers.
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Allegheny General Hospital (AGH) been recognized by *U.S. News and World Report* as one of the country’s best hospitals. Truven Health Analytics, formerly Thomson Reuters Healthcare business, identified AGH as one of the country’s “100 Top Hospitals” and recently named the network of hospitals one of the best health-care systems in the nation. It has 576 licensed beds and approximately 800 physicians and 5,000 staff members. AGH is committed to improving and maintaining the good health of people in our communities and utilizing every possible technology, resource and talent to make that happen. Each year, Allegheny General Hospital:

- Admits approximately 24,000 inpatients
- Records nearly 300,000 outpatient visits
- Handles more than 55,000 emergency department registrations
- Performs more than 23,000 surgical procedures

Social Work Internship Opportunities:
The placement will primarily focus on the inpatient units at Allegheny General Hospital. The Baker Fellow will be able to learn all psychosocial aspects of patient’s medical, physical and psychosocial care. The fellow will develop brief intervention skills and supportive counseling around issues of traumatic events, newly diagnosed chronic illness, terminal care with death and dying patients and their families, bereavement treatment, drug and alcohol assessments with focus on brief intervention and referral process. The fellow will also complete assessments on patients and provide referrals to community resources. There will be opportunities to work with case management on discharge planning for patients and assisting both the patients and their families in the adaptation to illness and lifestyle adjustments. The fellow will also be able to shadow other social workers within the health system, including, but not limited to emergency department, palliative care, inclusion health and transplant. The fellow will become proficient in documenting in the electronic health record.
Allegheny General Hospital Internal Medicine (AGHIM)
Allegheny Health Network
1307 Federal Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15212-4769
Allegheny County
(Metropolitan Area)
Field Instructor:
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AGHIM is an Internal Medicine Primary Care Practice that supports overall learning. This practice is a residency training program is always on the cutting edge of new programs and services for patients. A few years ago, the first Behavioral Health Consultant in a primary care office for the network was hired. The MSW is well housed in this practice full-time.

The Social Workers at AGHIM address a variety of issues related to social determinants of health. Their primary responsibility is to help patients overcome barriers to care. The practice uses a team-based approach, where the Social Work huddles daily with physicians, residents, pharmacists, nurses, medical assistants, health coaches, dieticians, Behavioral Health Consultants, etc.

Social Work Internship Opportunities:
The intern who is interested in this placement is interested in helping vulnerable populations in an urban city and very busy environment. This health clinic is always bustling with activity and serves many patients who live nearby. The intern will have opportunities to practice micro and macro level practice skills as they will be part of this clinic, but also have opportunities for education and shadowing opportunities within the larger health system. The intern who is interested in this placement is interested in helping vulnerable populations in an urban city and very busy environment.

Braddock Primary Care
Allegheny Health Network
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Allegheny County
(Underserved Area/ Metropolitan Area)
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Braddock Primary Care opened in 2019. The primary care office offers compassionate, comprehensive, and personalized care to children, adolescents, adults, and seniors to maximize health and wellbeing. Working together as a team, our providers deliver the treatment our patients need. Our team provide holistic, patient-centered care to help patients achieve their maximum health and wellbeing; preventive medicine, including tests, screenings, and immunizations for all ages; diagnosis and treatment for chronic illnesses; women’s health care; same-day sick visits; annual wellness exams; rapid on-site testing for...
many conditions; counseling for mental health issues that affect people of all ages, such as depression and anxiety; and specialized care in some offices, including osteopathic manipulation, sports medicine and concusion treatment, HIV care, Hepatitis C treatment, and addiction care.

**Social Work Internship Opportunities:**
The Baker Fellow will be paired with the Behavioral Health Consultant and will get to participate in behavioral health integration, implementing depression screening, and screening for social determinants of health, substance use, and appropriate community resources. For the final Baker research project and poster presentation, the fellow will participate in a grant funded project to help the practice complete a community needs assessment to assess whether there is a shortage of mental health, psychiatry, and Medication Assisted Treatment in the Braddock community/Mon Valley area.

**Center for Inclusion Health**
Allegheny Health Network
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Pittsburgh, PA 15212-4749
Allegheny County
(Underserved/Metropolitan Area)
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The Center for Inclusion Health is a collection of programs housed together under one value system. CIH aims to increase healthcare access and utilization for those in marginalized, underserved, or vulnerable communities. The CIH accomplishes this through program development, training and education, and program evaluation. For more information, visit our main webpage: https://www.ahn.org/medicine/center-for-inclusion-health

**Social Work Internship Opportunities:**
The Transgender Health Project is one of the CIH’s newest programs. This project addresses gaps in care through training, patient care navigation, policy review, medical record modification, and much more. Intern(s) will be focused mostly on the care navigation piece, outlined below.

**Internship Description and Role:**
Field placement with the Transgender Health Project is a dynamic and innovative position. MSW student will be expected to assist with care navigation for transgender and non-binary patients. This may include, but is not limited to: 1) Connecting patients with trans-knowledgeable providers ;2) Following up with patients to ensure continuity of care :3) Community engagement/presence:4) Representing Trans Health Project at events/community meetings, as available:5) Serving as a patient support/advocate during appointments;6) Providing printed/printable documents, providing assistance completing documents for legal name/gender change, including coordinating needed physician documentation ;and 7) Assisting the Project Manager in development of protocols for care navigation, including research and established best practices for engagement

**Requirements:**
Highmark Health requirements may vary, and include but are not limited to:
- Act 33/34, State and FBI clearances prior to the start of the internship
- Mandated Reporter training
- Agency related trainings and orientation
Additional requirements will be confirmed prior to the start of placement and will be coordinated after the placement start date.
Specific Requirements:
Letter of intent including ALL of the following:
♣ Describe why this internship would align with your educational, professional, or career goals.
♣ Describe any experience you have with the transgender and non-binary community.
♣ Describe any skills that would benefit the Transgender Health Project
Letters of recommendation
♣ 1-2 letters of recommendation from previous supervisors or professors.

Center for Opioid Recovery Program (OUD-COE)
Presbyterian/Montefiore Hospital, UPMC
200 Lothrop Street, 9 Floor South Wing
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
Allegheny County
(Underserved /Metropolitan Area)
Field Instructor:
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Center for Opioid Recovery Program (OUD-COE) specializes in helping patients achieve recovery by utilizing medications for the treatment of opioid use disorder, as well as ongoing behavioral counseling and social support. The center primarily serves persons with opioid use and medical pain management issues. The center’s extremely skilled physicians and staff use an integrated medicine approach which is different from traditional counseling clinics.

Social Work Internship Opportunities Description to Follow

Centerville Clinics (FQHC)
Waynesburg Office
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Waynesburg, PA 15370-1660
724-627-8243
Greene County
(Rural Area)
Joseph A. Yablonski Memorial Clinic
1070 Old National Pike
Fredericktown, PA 15333-2114
724-632-6801
Washington County
(Underserved Area)
Washington Family Doctors
37 Highland Ave
Washington, PA 15301-4401
724-223-1067
Washington County
(Underserved Area)
Field Instructor:
Erica Detrick
Social Work Internship Opportunities:

Outpatient Mental Health Counseling:
Outpatient MH Counseling program provides therapy to individuals, (adults, adolescents, and children), families and couples in an office setting as well as in the school. This service is offered to those seeking a safe and supportive environment to work through their problems, emotional and behavioral issues, and life stressors. The goal of treatment is to assist those seeking services to develop positive coping skills through the use of evidence-based treatment to manage relationships, emotional and behavioral issues, and to cope with psychosocial stressors of life, such as divorce, grief and loss, or problems at home, work or school.

Interns will gain experience direct hours by providing individual, group, family, and couple/marriage therapy. The intern will participate in indirect daily tasks of professionals in the field and gain professional development. Interns should be highly motivated and able to work well independently and as a part of a team. Also, some experience in the counseling and the social work field is helpful.

Child/Adolescent Partial Hospital Program:
The Child/Adolescent Partial Hospital Program is a multidisciplinary, intensive psychiatric treatment program for children 5-21 years of age. The goal of the program is to identify problems preventing a child or adolescent from functioning successfully in school, at home, and within the community, address the problems in these areas, and assist in building skills that will improve transition back into the community and school environment. Internships last for two semesters and include experience in individual, family and group therapies, as well as practice working on a multidisciplinary team.

Blended Case Management:
Blended Case Management (BCM) is a service that assists individuals with mental illness. It supports children, adolescents, and adults with a mental health diagnosis in gaining and maintaining access to needed medical social, educational, and other services. Providers shall ensure that the principles established by the Pennsylvania Child and adolescent Service System Program (CASSP) are followed in providing services for adults.

Partial Hospitalization:
Partial Hospitalization is a non-hospital therapeutic modality that includes psychiatric, psychological, social, and vocational elements under medical supervision. It is designed for patients with moderate to severe mental or emotional disorders. Partial hospitalization patients require less than 24- hour care, but more intensive and comprehensive services than are offered in outpatient treatment programs. Partial hospitalization is provided on a planned a regularly scheduled basis for a minimum of three hours, maximum 6 hours per day. The goal of partial hospitalization is to increase the level of patient functioning. The service may be provided to clients with chronic or acute mental disorders who require active treatment. Adult partial hospitalization is a program designed for individuals 18 years of age or older for the treatment of acute psychiatric illness, or an acute exacerbation of chronic psychiatric illness, or the treatment and the rehabilitation of adults who are chronically ill or marginally functional. These individuals typically require a more intensive and supervised treatment program than that which is afforded by various types of outpatient or aftercare programs. Modality of treatment includes individual, group, and family therapy. Medication management and evaluation is done by a psychiatrist.

Requirements:
- Enrolled in an accredited MSW program
- Act 33/34, State and FBI clearances prior to the start of the internship
- Mandated Reporter training (within 10 days of start)
- Agency related trainings and orientation
Children’s Hospital of UPMC
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Field Instructor:
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Field Instructor:
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Social Work Internship Opportunity:
The fellow is responsible for providing complete psychosocial assessments, crisis intervention, individual, family, group, bereavement and end of life counseling, as well as assistance with timely and appropriate discharge planning.
Responsibilities:
- Identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychologically complex patients and utilize the modalities of crisis intervention, brief goal directed therapy and other therapeutic counseling methods.
- Complete psychosocial assessments that include descriptions of social, economic, cultural, age-related, and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems, and all other available resources.
- Collaborate with the healthcare team, patients, and families as well as relevant community resources to develop and implement an individualized treatment plan of care.
- Monitor and evaluate treatment options and available services to effectively meet the patients’ and families’ needs.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources that affect patient needs.
- Access social systems by providing resource-specific information to patients and families, initiating contact with resources and facilitating the patients’ and families’ ability to accept referrals.
- Educate and advocate for patients and families to enhance their ability to make informed decisions regarding medical care, discharge planning, advance directives and end-of-life care.
- Understand reimbursement systems in order to educate patients and families regarding payer requirements/coverage for post-hospital services.
- Advocate for patients and families with these systems when necessary.
- Complete psychosocial assessments as part of the transplant evaluation and share this evaluation as well as recommendations with the transplant medical team.
- Coordinate with social workers within the Children’s Hospital system as well as in outside systems to provide continuity of care.
- Provide supportive therapeutic services specific to meeting the needs of family members, such as support groups.
The Division of Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine strives to improve the health and well-being of youth through:

- Accessible, comprehensive health care services for adolescents and young adults in the context of their family, culture and community
- Interdisciplinary education for health care professional in training, continuing professional education, and for youth, families, and communities
- Research to increase understanding of health disparities, promote health equity, and improve health outcomes for youth
- Engagement with youth in their communities as their adult allies and advocates

The Division of Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine is a dynamic, interdisciplinary team of researchers, educators, and practitioners dedicated to the health and well-being of adolescents and young adults. Clinical services include primary care, care coordination for youth with complex health needs, reproductive health, and transitioning to adult health care systems and responsibilities. The division maintains an active Oakland-based practice, as well as supporting satellite locations in Bethel Park and Pine Township. Community collaborations to enhance engagement include the Gay and Lesbian Community Center, Shuman Center, Family Links shelters, and the Student Health Centers at Carlow University, Duquesne University, and the University of Pittsburgh.

Social Work Internship Opportunity:
The fellow will participate in an integrative care model to improve treatment and outcomes for adolescents and young adults not only with psychopathology, but also with the behavioral health/medical interface. They will participate in mental health treatment team meetings to discuss cases. There are opportunities to be involved in various projects within the clinic such as projects focused on preventing adolescent relationship abuse, prevention of pregnancy, HIV, and sexually transmitted infections, addressing mental health disparities among sexual minorities, evidence-based practice for pediatric obesity, innovative health services delivery for marginalized youth, transition to adult care for youth with complex medical conditions, and adolescent contraceptive and sexual decision making. The primary application of their skills will be to:

- Identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychologically complex patients and utilize the modalities of crisis intervention, brief goal directed therapy, cognitive behavioral therapy, motivation interviewing, and other therapeutic counseling methods.
- Complete psychosocial assessments that include descriptions of social, economic, cultural, age-related, and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems, and all other available resources.
- Collaborate with the behavioral health care team, patients, and families as well as relevant community resources to develop and implement an individualized treatment plan of care.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources that affect patient needs.
• Access social systems by providing resource-specific information to patients and families, initiating contact with resources and facilitating the patients’ and families’ ability to accept referrals.

Requirements:
Fellows will be required to present current Act 33, Act 34, FBI clearances, TB test and Health Screening before their start date.

Forbes Hospital
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Since 1978, Forbes Hospital has been providing quality care for the communities of eastern Allegheny and Westmoreland counties. As the area has grown, so has Forbes. A 315-bed facility with 15,000 inpatient admissions, 12,000 surgeries, nearly 50,000 emergency department visits annually, and a level II trauma center, Forbes brings an advanced level of care to our patients.

Forbes Hospital believes that patients experience the best possible care when they are able to have all of their needs met in one place – in their own community. The hospital now provides a complete array of surgical, medical, rehabilitative and emergency care. In addition, it offers a complete spectrum of specialty services such as cardiology, orthopedics, neurosurgery, oncology, stroke care, endocrinology, behavioral health, and obstetrics.

Forbes a became accredited by the Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation as a Level II Trauma Center as of October 1, 2013. Forbes is the 31st trauma center in Pennsylvania, and is rated the No.1 hospital in Western PA* for Medical Excellence in Major Neuro-Surgery.

Social Work Internship Opportunity
The fellows will be exposed to the above units and will assist with the following:
• Collaborating with patients, families, doctors, nurses, and other members of the treatment as needed in order to create individualized discharge plans
• Responding to Level I and Level II traumas, providing resources and support to those impacted.
• Completing psychosocial assessments
• Connecting patients to resources including mental health resources and community supports
• Providing crisis intervention to patients in need
• Providing bereavement counseling
• Completing referrals for discharge including follow up care or follow up placements such as skilled nursing facilities, psychiatric placement, outpatient counseling, D&A treatment, etc.
- In addition, the social work students are mandated reporters and would assist social workers in making CYF referrals. The social work students will:
  - Have the opportunity to experience weekend on-call with social workers, if interested
  - Have the opportunity to attend trainings offered by the hospital, as well as learn the medical documentation system
  - Be exposed to community resources available in the Pittsburgh area as well as surrounding areas

Requirements:
Fellows are required to present proof of immunizations, Act 33, Act 34, and FBI clearances, as well as TB test prior to starting the placement. Dress code is business casual, and fellows will be required to purchase a lab coat.

Greentree Medical Associates
Allegheny Health Network
Primary Care-SBIRT
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(Suburban Area)
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For more than 20 years, Greentree Medical Associates has worked diligently to provide the highest quality and most cost-effective medical and professional services for their patients and their families. Greentree medical associates achieved the diabetes physician recognition program.

Social Work Internship Opportunity:
The Baker Fellow at GTMA will address many issues surrounding the Social Determinants of Health, but will have a specific emphasis on substance use and SBIRT (screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment). The intern will help with connecting patient to treatment as well as connecting patients to resources in the community. This location works with an interdisciplinary team which includes MDs, Health Coaches, MAs, Social Workers, and Behavioral Health Consultant. The intern at this location will be interested in working with children, adults, and substance use.

Indiana Regional Medical Center
Behavioral Health Services
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Indiana, PA 15701-0788
Indiana County
(Rural Area)
Field Instructor:
Louise Bivens
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724-357-7404

The Indiana Regional Medical Center is a 16-bed licensed, hospital-based, geriatric psychiatric in-patient unit, who serves individuals ages 55 and above. It serves Indiana county, as well as referrals received from Westmoreland, Cambria, Allegheny, Armstrong, Jefferson and Clearfield counties to name a few.
The center provides acute, in-patient, psychiatric services to those with Dementia with psychosis with behavioral disturbances, Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective Disorders, Bipolar Disorder, major depression, anxiety disorders, suicidality, homicidality, psychosis NOS, and those with personality disorders, as well. The center is not a dual diagnosis unit however, they receive a number of individuals with drug and alcohol addictions and abuse, as well as those with psychiatric symptoms that cause disordered thought processes.

Admission to the unit has specific requirements. Intake assessments are completed to meet this goal. The comprehensive treatment program is provided by a multi-disciplinary team and includes daily interviews with the Psychiatrist or PA-C in doctor rounds. This treatment team format includes the Unit Manager, RN, Social Worker, Occupational Therapist (COTA-L) and medical students and interns. Treatment Team Family Meetings are held as needed. Court commitment hearings are held on the unit for continued stays as indicated. As the unit is geriatric in nature, a medical doctor is assigned to each patient.

Social Work Internship Opportunity:
Fellows will conduct a psychosocial assessment on each patient, make contact and interactions with the families to obtain additional history, provide guidance and support in their journey, and discuss disposition. As with any hospital, discharge planning is an integral and important part of the fellow’s responsibility.
The fellow will participate/facilitate multiple individual therapeutic sessions held with the patients, implement treatment planning, and attend the doctor rounds. The fellow will find that a great deal of teaching occurs during this 2-3-hour exchange by the psychiatrist and other disciplines. Documentation is crucial for all aspects of the fellow’s responsibilities: all assessments and individual, family and group notes are a permanent part of the individual’s chart. Community outreach for support services are part of the training, as well. This assists the patient in securing the services that they need for ongoing wellbeing, continuity of care, safety and success as an out-patient.

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Allegheny County
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Jefferson Hospital opened its doors in 1977 to provide expert medical and surgical care to residents of the Monongahela Valley and South Hills area of Pittsburgh. Jefferson Hospital has 341 private beds including an Acute Inpatient Rehabilitation Unit and an Inpatient Psychiatric Unit. In 2014, Jefferson Hospital added a new Women’s Health Center and a new labor and delivery unit, the first obstetrics unit to be built in the region in 34 years, and a Level II Continuing Care Nursery. In 2018, Jefferson Hospital was awarded Keystone 10 Designation for Quality Improvement in Breastfeeding which is the first in the state to receive this award. Jefferson Hospital has an outstanding reputation for cardiovascular care providing
treatment for patients with cardiac health issues including advanced heart surgery, CABG, interventional cardiology, atrial fibrillation treatment, electrophysiology, and cardiac, pulmonary and peripheral arterial disease rehab. Over the years, Jefferson Hospital has earned regional and national recognition for excellence in major cardiovascular care, COPD, stroke and women and infants care.

**2019**

- #1 hospital in western PA for Medical Excellence in Major Cardiac Surgery*
- #1 hospital in western PA for Patient Safety in Coronary Bypass Surgery*
- Rated among the Top 10% of hospitals in the nation for Patient Safety in Major Cardiac Surgery and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

**2018**

- #1 hospital in western PA for Medical Excellence in Major Cardiac Surgery
- Rated in Top 10% Nationally for Medical Excellence in Major Cardiac Surgery and Coronary Bypass Surgery
- Among the Top 10% of Hospitals in the nation for Medical Excellence in Major Cardiac Surgery and Heart Failure treatment
- Get With The Guidelines™ Heart Failure Gold Plus Quality Award Achievement
- Mission: Lifeline Heart Attack Receiving Center, American Heart Association’s Mission: Lifeline
- STEMI accreditation program
- The Joint Commission Hip/ Knee Replacement Recertification, February 2018
- Among the Top 10% of hospitals in PA for Medical Excellence in Gall Bladder Removal
- Keystone 10 designation for Quality Improvement in Breastfeeding
- The Joint Commission Advanced Primary Stroke Center Certification, May 2018

**Social Work Internship Opportunity:**

The fellows will integrate into the existing Care Management model at Jefferson Hospital. The fellows will complete a comprehensive assessment that focuses on the social determinants of health to develop robust and effective transition plans for patients. The fellows will assist in meeting the needs of patients as they move through the health care continuum including transition to post-acute facilities or home. The fellows will have access to the resources available within the Allegheny Health Network including preferred post-acute partnerships, payer relationships, mobile integrated health team, federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources. One fellow will collaborate with the Jefferson Regional Foundation moving forward in the developmental structure around the Front Door Initiative which is a grant funded project to provide care and community resources to patients when they present to the emergency department.

**Requirements:**

Proof of immunizations, TB test, Act 33, Act 34, and FBI clearances
Latterman Family Health Center
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC)
McKeesport Family Medicine
2347 Fifth Avenue
McKeesport, PA 15132-1126
Allegheny County
(Underserved Area)

Field Instructor:
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Latterman Family Health Center- UPMC is located in McKeesport. At the center, family medicine doctors, along with resident physicians preparing for careers in family medicine, care for people from birth through old age. We are a Patient Centered Medical Home. The medical home model focuses on a team of providers—such as physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and social workers—to meet a patient’s health care needs. Studies have shown that the medical home model’s attention to the whole-person and integration of all aspects of health care offer potential to improve physical health, behavioral health, access to community-based social services and management of chronic conditions. Thus, the center has tried to integrate care of physical and behavioral health.

Annually 12,500 patients are seen at the Latterman Family Health Center. The center has 14 exam rooms. There is also a level II laboratory. Multiple board certified specialists including a psychiatrist work together with the family physicians to provide comprehensive medical care to patients of all ages. In addition, there is a behavioral science faculty member who is available to assist the physicians with counseling for emotional, personal, marital and family issues. She also acts as a liaison between the patients and community agencies when referrals are necessary. A close relationship has always been maintained with community agencies including but not limited to Womansplace, MonYough Community Services, Family Support Center, McKeesport High School ELECT Program, and the Allegheny County Health Department.

In May 2017, the center hired their first social worker (our former intern) as the Latterman Family Health Center social worker. The MSW student will work closely with her as task supervisor.

Social Work Internship Opportunity:
There are several specific programs that the fellow will work with—the collaborative care model to address depression – LEAD- Latterman Early Action for Depression, SKIP (Services to Kids in Primary Care) and the Transitional Care Team where the team works to decrease hospital readmission.

The center has enjoyed having MSW students as part of the Integrated Healthcare Fellowship-- Cannon and now Baker Fellowship. The hope is to provide an opportunity to help the fellow develop the ability to work as a behavioral health social worker in the context of a primary care community health center.

Learning opportunities will include meeting with patients for supportive counseling, providing social work casework and referral information, and being a resource for social services to physicians. The fellow will be exposed to the work with Hepatitis C and HIV patients to provide support and resources.
Magee-Women’s Hospital of University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC)
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Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3108
Allegheny County
(Metropolitan Area)
Field Instructor:
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Magee-Women’s Hospital of UPMC is an acute care facility providing tertiary care medical services to both women and men from the tri-state area. Although the mission of Magee is to provide services focused on women’s health, Magee also provides both medical and surgical services in a wide variety of specialties to both men and women. Social work staff members are assigned to patient care units in the hospital that provide specialty to care patients and families in those areas.

Magee delivers over 10,000 babies each year, has an 87 bed neonatal intensive care unit and provides state of the art cancer care to women with both breast and gynecological cancer. Magee is a Center of Excellence for Bariatric Surgery and has a Bone and Joint Center providing orthopedic surgery to both men and women.

Magee also provides inpatient care to geriatric medicine patients and is the designated inpatient site for patients from the Benedum Geriatric Center. Magee Social Workers are part of a larger Care Management Department within the hospital. They work collaboratively with other disciplines within the hospital and outpatient setting as part of the treatment team to achieve successful outcomes for patients and families.

Social Work Internship Opportunity:
Goal: To provide graduate level Baker Fellows with a broad based clinical experience in hospital social work practice with a focus on women’s health.

Social Work field placements at Magee are available to second year or advanced standing students interested in general hospital social work practice. Students rotate through three distinct rotations during their year in placement – those areas being Medical-Surgical, Obstetrics and Newborn Care, and the Outpatient Clinic. Students work directly with social workers assigned in each area of coverage and meet weekly with the field instructor. Weekly supervision is provided and students are assigned weekly readings regarding different subject areas applicable to areas of practice in hospital social work.

Students are provided with a variety of clinical experiences working on psychosocial and behavioral health issues with patients and families receiving medical treatment at Magee. Social Workers provide their expertise in psychosocial areas of practice such as domestic violence, pregnancy loss, substance abuse, care transitions and discharge planning, postpartum depression and other behavioral health issues, child abuse, adoption, ethics, reproductive technology, pregnancy options, cancer care, intensive/critical care, palliative care and other areas of practice.
The Matilda Theiss Health Center is a UPMC hospital-based clinic, owned and operated by the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. This Center serves a primarily poor minority population, located in a neighborhood with a large proportion of public housing units. The Theiss Center is the only federally qualified health center within UPMC. Primary health care across the life span is provided and overseen by the faculty of the Department of Family Medicine. Full primary care services are offered to include periodic child and adult physical examinations, chronic disease screening and management, immunizations, health education, minor surgery, and obstetrical and gynecological care. The center also provides off-site dental care and a medication dispensing service. A variety of social, counseling, and health promotion services, which include a prenatal education group and a diabetes education group are provided. The Health Center is a teaching site for first- and third-year medical students of the University of Pittsburgh, as well as St. Margaret’s Family Medicine residents fulfilling their community health rotations.

Social Work Internship Opportunity:
UPMC Matilda Theiss Health Center treatment team includes the patient’s health center doctor, nurse, social worker and pharmacist. The direct practice concentration fellowship intern will be working directly with these health care professionals, in treating patients who may be being seen for any number of medical issues, may need assistance applying for health care coverage, assistance finding appropriate social services, need help applying for prescription assistance programs, need counseling, or need help with understanding their condition. The student will have the opportunity to provide community outreach and psychoeducation to individuals surrounding exercise, wellness, sexual education, mental health, parenting, and violence. This site has a concentration on mental health issues.

The fellows will:

- Identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychologically complex patients and utilize the modalities of crisis intervention, brief goal directed therapy and other therapeutic counseling methods.
- Complete psychosocial assessments that include descriptions of social, economic, cultural, age-related, and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems, and all other available resources.
- Collaborate with the health care team, patients, and families as well as relevant community resources.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources that affect patient needs.
- Access social systems by providing resource-specific information to patients and families, initiating contact with resources and facilitating the patients’ and families’ ability to accept referrals.
Requirements:
Students will be required to present current Act 33, Act 34, FBI clearances, TB test, and Health Screening before their start date.

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UPMC Passavant Hospital/McCandless campus is a 300-bed hospital located in the North Hills of Pittsburgh. The hospital serves as an anchor hospital for UPMC’s northwestern sites. UPMC Passavant specializes in cardiac care, orthopedics, and cancer care while continuing to serve the complex medical needs of both rural and suburban populations.

**Social Work Internship Opportunity:**
Students will work alongside MSW/LSW medical social workers in an inpatient hospital setting. The intern will have the opportunity to:

- Demonstrate expertise in accessing social systems by providing resource-specific information to patients and families, initiating contact with appropriate resources and facilitating the patient / family's ability to accept referrals.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources that affect patient needs.
- Successfully utilize therapeutic counseling methods such as crisis intervention, psychosocial support, brief goal-directed therapy, CISM and/or other appropriate therapeutic methods that may be appropriate to the clinical situation.
- Provide accurate, timely and appropriate documentation of all social work interventions in the medical record per regulatory policies and procedures.
- Demonstrate knowledge of reimbursement systems, the ability to educate patients and families regarding payer requirements / coverage for post-acute care services and the ability to effectively advocate on behalf of the patient to obtain authorizations for continued care as appropriate.
- Demonstrate the ability to identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychosocially complex patients with the ability to understand complex dynamics related to the clinical situation.
- Continue to monitor and evaluate the plan of care, options and available services throughout the hospital stay to effectively meet the patient and family's need. Reassess the plan of care as status changes or at a minimum of every 3 days.
- Demonstrate appropriate professional practice, maintaining respect for confidentiality and freedom of choice as outlined by the Code of Ethics by the National Association of Social Workers as well as the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors.
- Collaborate effectively with the healthcare team, patients and families and relevant community resources to develop and implement and individualized plan of care.
- Educate and advocate for patients and families to enhance their ability to make informed decisions regarding medical care, discharge planning, advance directives and end of life care including actively participating in the guardianship process when appropriate.
- Complete a psychosocial assessment that includes social, economic, cultural, age-related and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems and all other available resources as appropriate to the clinical situation.

**Pittsburgh General Medical Associates, Primary Care (PGMA)**

**Allegheny Health Network**

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Pittsburgh General Medical Associates (PGMA) has a team of seven primary care practitioner (PCP) internal medicine doctors, two physician assistants (PA), and one certified registered nurse practitioner (CRNP). The facility offers preventive care for individuals of all ages, as well as diagnosis and treatment of chronic conditions and acute illnesses or injuries, PGMA works closely with Allegheny General Hospital where the PCPs and do rounds and see patients there as well.

**Social Work Internship Opportunity:**
The Baker Fellow will work with the Behavioral Health Consultant in the outpatient office. The fellow will see and participate in how behavioral health is addressed in primary care. This will include warm handoffs of patients that are being seen daily by the PCP, patient visits, learning to facilitate depression and anxiety screenings, and connecting patients to outside resources that include psychiatrists, therapists, and/or community resources. Additionally, the fellow will participate in weekly consults with the psychiatrist to discuss medical treatment and psychiatric medications that are being prescribed by the PCP with guidance from the psychiatrist. The fellow will also learn the billing process under the collaborative care model.

**Positive Health Clinic**

**Allegheny Health Network**

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Allegheny County
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The Positive Health Clinic (PHC) is a comprehensive HIV primary care clinic providing state-of-the-art care to HIV-positive individuals from a harm reduction approach. The clinic is staffed by a team of infectious disease physicians, pharmacists, nurse practitioners, nurses, medical assistants, social workers,
a patient advocate, a mental health therapist, and a psychiatrist. The team currently treats more than 850 patients and has extensive experience with all aspects of HIV management.

Social Work Internship Opportunity:
The Baker Fellowship Interns will be energetic, friendly, and highly organized individuals, who will provide key support to a team of four social workers and a patient advocate. They will be required to work independently and also communicate effectively with multiple outside agencies, other clinic staff, and various community members. The interns will receive training and will have the opportunity to learn about HIV, harm reduction, social work, and medical case management.
An internship with The Positive Health Clinic offers students an outstanding opportunity to gain significant knowledge about the physical, mental, and social elements of health within the specific population of individuals living with HIV/AIDS. In addition, the students will have the ability to gain experience within the micro, mezzo, and macro practice levels.

• Micro knowledge will be expanded through individual social work services.
• Mezzo skills will be obtained through monthly group wellness classes, mental health groups, and coordination with community resources.
• Macro understanding can be obtained through policy advocacy impacting HIV-positive patients.

Learning Opportunities:
1. Provide assessment and HIV education to patients through a harm reduction lens at the time of diagnosis, at their medical appointments and in between medical visits, as needed.
2. Determine current and ongoing patient needs including mental health, drug and alcohol, housing, transportation, finances, insurance, and identify possible barriers to treatment.
3. Develop rapport and build productive relationships with patients to foster sustainable wellness.
4. Learn up to date policies, procedures, and applications of insurance eligibility and paperwork submission.
5. Learn basic social work skills that include but are not limited to: active listening, motivational interviewing, crisis intervention, collaboration, conflict resolution, and strengths perspective.
6. Link patients with needed resources (insurance, Medicare/Medicaid, prescription drug coverage, housing, mental health, etc.) and coordinate those referrals to reduce barriers and increase the likelihood of follow through by the patient.
7. Assist in outreach to community agencies to build awareness and collaboration with other establishments that touch the lives of people with HIV/AIDS.
8. Participate with an interdisciplinary team to discuss/determine patient care plans.
9. Opportunity to advocate through meetings/letters/phone calls regarding social welfare policies that affect individuals living with HIV/AIDS
10. Assist in planning and facilitation of monthly wellness and mental health groups.

Additional qualifications the fellowship intern will possess:
1. A positive and confident attitude and ability to deal with stressful and chaotic situations.
2. Strong interest in working in a culturally and economically diverse environment.
3. Basic office skills: i.e. computer literate/good telephone skills.
4. Ability to work independently and be organized and detailed oriented.
5. Excellent communication skills, ex; telephone, written, and verbal.
6. Must adhere to HIIPPA regulations and clinic confidentiality policies.
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UPMC St. Margaret is a 249-bed acute care and teaching hospital situation on a 21-acre campus near Aspinwall. It begins its second century of service with renewed dedication to more than 250,000 residents of northeastern Allegheny County and the Alle-Kiski Valley, providing residents convenient access to the area’s finest physicians and health services. UPMC St. Margaret is a Magnet designated hospital. Magnet status is the highest international recognition for nursing excellence and leadership.

At UPMC St. Margaret, the primary care and specialty physicians, and clinical and support staff members, work together to provide patients with quality care and the latest technical and medical advances. The hospital also offers:

- Family practice and internal medicine
- Geriatric care services
- Orthopedic and general surgery
- Comprehensive rehabilitation services
- A full complement of oncology services
- Diabetes treatment and education

**Social Work Internship Opportunity:**

The Baker Fellow will:

1. Identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and socially complex patients
2. Utilize therapeutic counseling methods such as crisis intervention, psycho-social support, brief goal directed therapy and other appropriate therapeutic methods
3. Collaborate with physicians and members of the healthcare team to develop and implement an individualized plan of care
4. Educate patients and family members to enhance their ability to make informed decisions regarding medical care, discharge planning, advance directives and end of life care.
5. Document all social work interventions
6. Demonstrate appropriate professional practice, maintaining respect for confidentiality and freedom of choice

**Requirements:**

- Act 33/34, State and FBI clearances prior to start of externship
- Flu immunization
- HIPPA confidentiality
- Hospital orientation and related trainings
The Bloomfield/Garfield Family Health Center was established in 1984 and cares for over 10,000 patients annually. Its present case mix is about 20 percent pediatrics and adolescents, 72 percent adult, and 8 percent geriatrics.

The facility has ten exam rooms, an on-site lab, radiology suite, a well-lit, very pleasant reception area, staff lounge, two procedure rooms, a conference area, and off-street parking. Residents helped design this facility for improved ambience, communication, and efficiency. There has been steady growth since a 2008 relocation to a spacious and environmentally friendly facility.

Bloomfield/Garfield Family Health Center is home base for our innovative School Health Program, which provides comprehensive physicals, health screening and health education to local elementary schools. Bloomfield/Garfield and nearby East Liberty are largely underserved inner city communities with approximately 38,800 residents. This area is home for many single parent families, a large African-American population, and a growing Vietnamese and international community. Patients also reside in adjoining communities including the university-dominated Oakland area.

Patients and their families have relied on the Bloomfield-Garfield Family Health Center, a full-service, neighborhood family practice for all their medical needs. The primary focus is on preventive care — keeping patients healthy is our goal. The family medicine doctors and staff offer ongoing medical care, services, and programs for every member of the family.

Services:
Primary medical care for all family members
Nurse visits, including blood pressure checks, WIC forms, etc.
Comprehensive adult health care and health screenings
Geriatric care
Pediatric care, including well-child checkups, immunizations, and sick visits
Gynecology and family planning
On-site x-rays
Lab services, including blood draws, throat and urine cultures, and blood glucose tests
On-site social work services
Diabetes education and treatment
Medication consultations with pharmacists
School and work physicals
Minor skin surgery and stitches
Sports medicine and treatment of minor injuries, including fractures
Hearing and vision testing
Dental care referrals
Access to our network of physicians 24/7
Health education classes
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The UPMC St. Margaret Geriatric Care Center (GCC) is an evaluation and treatment center designed to meet the comprehensive health needs of people over age 60. Along with specialized medical and psychiatric care, geriatric professionals assist older adults and their families in making health care decisions to fulfill the patient’s daily needs. The GCC is an integrated healthcare setting located on the St. Margaret Hospital campus and on the Presbyterian SeniorCare campus in Oakmont. Many of our patients consider the GCC to be their primary medical home as we address their needs in a comprehensive way. Our clinical team includes geriatric doctors, a psychiatrist, a neuropsychologist, a palliative care doctor, pharmacists, medical assistants, nurses, and a licensed clinical social worker.

Social Work Internship Opportunity
The MSW student intern will have the opportunity to:
- Complete initial comprehensive psychosocial intake assessments and develop an individualized care plan.
- Facilitate individual, couples and family therapy sessions to address a variety of issues. Some topics may include, but are not limited to, psychiatric symptom management, crisis intervention, quality of life issues, suicidality and safety concerns, and management of neurocognitive disorders, long term care planning & end of life discussions, bereavement, case management, and pain management.
- Collaborate with an interdisciplinary team of physicians, nurses, medical assistants, pharmacists, administration and resources in the community to provide high quality patient centered care.
- Provide supportive counseling, education and resources to individuals and families facing the immense challenges associated with cognitive changes and a dementia related diagnosis.
- Plan and facilitate a monthly Alzheimer’s Disease caregiver support group.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources that affect patient needs.
- Attend events and/or trainings in the community for educational and networking purposes.
- Gain exposure to other acute inpatient and outpatient healthcare settings.

Requirements:
Student’s will be required to present current Act 33, Act 34, FBI clearances, TB test, and Health Screening before their start date.
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UPMC is the premier health system in western Pennsylvania and one of the most renowned academic medical centers in the United States. Today, with 43,000 employees, UPMC comprises of 19 hospitals, and a network of other care sites across western Pennsylvania.

Family health centers are located in Lawrenceville, Bloomfield-Garfield, and New Kensington. At the Centers, family medicine doctors, along with resident physicians preparing for careers in family medicine, care for people from birth through old age.

Since 1970, patients and their families have relied on the Lawrenceville Family Health Center, a full-service, neighborhood family practice office located at 40th and Butler streets in Lawrenceville, for all their medical needs. The primary focus is on preventive care — keeping patients healthy is the goal.

Family medicine doctors and staff offer ongoing medical care, services, and programs for every member of the family.

Services:
- Primary medical care for all family members
- Nurse visits, including blood pressure checks, WIC forms, etc.
- Comprehensive adult health care and health screenings
- Geriatric care
- Pediatric care, including well-child checkups, immunizations, and sick visits
- Gynecology and family planning
- Lab services, including blood draws, throat and urine cultures, and blood glucose tests
- On-site social work services
- Diabetes education and treatment
- Medication consultations with pharmacists
- School and work physicals
- Minor skin surgery and stitches
- Sports medicine and treatment of minor injuries, including fractures
- Hearing and vision testing
- On-site dental care for children (provided by Allegheny County Health Department)
- Access to our network of physicians 24/7
- Health education classes, such as smoking cessation and menopause

Social Work Internship Opportunity
Student interns are part of an interdisciplinary team serving the clients.

Requirements:
- Second year/ Advanced standing MSW student
- Transportation
- Medical Screenings
- Clearances: Act 33, Act 34, and FBI
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The UPMC St. Margaret Family Health Centers are located in the neighborhoods of Lawrenceville, Bloomfield-Garfield, and New Kensington, offering comprehensive health care services and programs. The centers are leaders and pioneers in providing Integrated Health Care. Integrated Health Care is an approach that offers behavioral health services- including psychiatric evaluations, medication management, counseling, psychotherapy, and grief support, through the Primary Health Care Office. This model is designed to provide a high degree of collaboration and communication between health professionals to provide holistic care meeting the patient’s physical and psychosocial needs.

UPMC St. Margaret’s behavioral health treatment team includes the patient’s Health Center Doctor, Social Worker, Psychiatrist, and Licensed Professional Counselor. As a direct practice, Baker Fellow, you will be working directly with these Health Care Professionals, in treating patients who may be suffering from a mood disorder, depression, anxiety, high stress, a recent loss, or traumatic event.

The Fellow can choose a selective rotation to focus on including: Therapy, Medical, Home Visits, or Group Visits. The fellow will have the opportunity to provide community outreach and psychoeducation to individuals surrounding exercise, wellness, sexual education, mental health, bullying, and violence.

Social Work Internship Opportunity
- Identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychologically complex patients and utilize the modalities of crisis intervention, brief goal directed therapy and other therapeutic counseling methods.
- Complete psychosocial assessments that include descriptions of social, economic, cultural, age-related, and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems, and all other available resources.
- Collaborate with the behavioral health care team, patients, and families as well as relevant community resources to develop and implement an individualized treatment plan of care.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources that affect patient needs.
- Access social systems by providing resource-specific information to patients and families, initiating contact with resources and facilitating the patients’ and families’ ability to accept referrals.

Fellow’s will be required to present current Act 33, Act 34, FBI clearances, TB test, and Health Screening before their start date.
Shenango Valley Family Medicine Center  
UPMC Horizon Hospital-Shenango  
Horizon Family Medicine Residency  
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Farrell, PA 16121  
Mercer County  
(Rural Underserved Area)  
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Shenango Valley Family Medicine Center and UPMC Horizon Hospital are located in Farrell, PA in Mercer County. At the center, family medicine physicians, along with resident physicians preparing for careers in family medicine, care for people from birth through old age. We provide team-based care for our complicated patients through our on-site pharmacist, behavioralist, and health-plan embedded nurse to manage chronic conditions and access community-based social services in an underserved and rural community. UPMC Horizon hospital-Shenango is located on the same campus as Shenango Valley Family Medicine. Our physicians, resident physicians, and pharmacist provide hospital care to our practices patients as well as un-assigned patients in our community at UPMC Horizon. Shenango Valley Family Medicine Center sees about 8000 patients/year and UPMC Horizon-Shenango averages 4000 admissions/year. We also sponsor and provide care to a free clinic at the Joshua’s Haven Homeless Shelter and provide medication assisted treatment with buprenorphine in our office in partnership with Community Counseling Services (CCS).

Social Worker Internship Opportunity:  
This internship is a unique opportunity in a rural and underserved community to work in team-based care to meet the needs of patients across the inpatient and outpatient settings. The intern will work directly with the patient care team in treating patients who may be being seen for any number of medical issues, may need assistance applying for health care coverage, assistance finding appropriate social services, need help applying for prescription assistance programs, need counseling, or need help with understanding their condition. The intern will have the opportunity to provide community outreach and psychoeducation to individuals surrounding exercise, wellness, sexual education, mental health, and drug and alcohol abuse. Transitions of care and readmission reduction working with patients in both the inpatient and outpatient setting will be areas of focus.

Fellows will:  
· Identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychologically complex patients and utilize the modalities of crisis intervention, brief goal directed therapy and other therapeutic counseling methods.  
· Complete psychosocial assessments that include descriptions of social, economic, cultural, age-related, and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems, and all other available resources.

· Assist the case management and transitions of care teams to identify patients at high risk for readmission and complete a comprehensive assessment to develop effective transition plans for patients while following them in both the inpatient and outpatient settings.

· Assist patients and community members apply for health care coverage and prescription assistance programs through the Joshua’s Haven Free Clinic.
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Social Work Student Internship Opportunity
The fellowship intern is responsible for providing complete psychosocial assessments, crisis intervention, individual, family, group, bereavement and end of life counseling, and timely and appropriate discharge planning based on known or anticipated needs.

Responsibilities:
• Demonstrate the ability to identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychosocially complex patients with the ability to understand complex dynamics related to the clinical situation.
• Successfully utilize therapeutic counseling methods such as crisis intervention, psychosocial support, brief goal-directed therapy, CISM and/or other appropriate therapeutic methods that may be appropriate to the clinical situation.
• Complete a psychosocial assessment that includes social, economic, cultural, age-related and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems and all other available resources as appropriate to the clinical situation.
• Collaborate effectively with the healthcare team, patients and families and relevant community resources to develop and implement an individualized plan of care.
• Continue to monitor and evaluate the plan of care, options and available services throughout the hospital stay to effectively meet the patient and family's need. Reassess the plan of care as status changes or at a minimum of every 3 days.
• Maintain extensive knowledge of federal, state and local assistance programs and community resources that affect patient needs.
• Demonstrates expertise in accessing social systems by providing resource specific information to patients and families, initiating contact with appropriate resources and facilitating the patient/family's ability to accept referrals.
• Educate and advocate for patients and families to enhance their ability to make informed decisions regarding medical care, discharge planning, advance directives and end of life care including actively participating in the guardianship process when appropriate.
• Demonstrate a knowledge of reimbursement systems, the ability to educate patients and families regarding payer requirements/coverage for post-acute care services and the ability to effectively advocate on behalf of the patient to obtain authorizations for continued care as appropriate.
• Provides accurate, timely and appropriate documentation of all social work interventions in the medical record per regulatory policies and procedures.
• Demonstrate appropriate professional practice, maintaining respect for confidentiality and freedom of choice as outlined by the Code of Ethics by the National Association of Social Workers as well as the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselors.
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC) Total Care
Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Program
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Seeking a Baker Fellowship social work student to intern for an interdisciplinary patient-centered medical home for patients with Inflammatory Bowel Disease.

Social Work Student Internship Opportunity

- Students will provide counseling services and case management, under supervision of an LCSW, during interdisciplinary clinics at the Digestive Disorders Center (at UPMC Presbyterian) and at the Medical Arts Building (on Fifth Ave, across from UPMC Presbyterian)
- Main interventions used: cognitive behavioral therapy, dialectical behavioral therapy, mindfulness, hypnosis, motivational interviewing, and case management

Responsibilities:
- Collaborate effectively with the healthcare team, patients and families, and relevant community resources to develop and implement and individualized plan of care.
- Complete a psychosocial assessment that includes social, economic, cultural, age-related and behavioral factors, history of child, elder or domestic abuse, prior psychiatric or substance abuse treatment, family and social support systems and all other available resources as appropriate to the clinical situation.
- Demonstrate appropriate professional practice, maintaining respect for confidentiality and freedom of choice as outlined by the Code of Ethics by the National Association of Social Workers as well as the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors.
- Develop skills to identify, assess, counsel and effectively intervene with medically and psychosocially complex patients with the ability to understand complex dynamics related to the clinical situation.
- Develop expertise in accessing social systems by providing resource-specific information to patients and families, initiating contact with appropriate resources, and facilitating the patient / family's ability to accept referrals.
- Assist consumers to obtain and maintain culturally appropriate basic living needs and skills such as: housing, food, medical care, recreation, education and employment, through referral and assertive follow-up, advocacy and problem resolution.
- Develop clinical expertise, critical thinking and problem solving skills to situations in order to achieve desired outcomes.
- Successfully utilize therapeutic counseling methods such as crisis intervention, psychosocial support, brief goal-directed therapy, CBT, DBT, mindfulness, relaxation training, hypnosis, motivational interviewing, and/or other appropriate therapeutic methods that may be appropriate to the clinical situation.
- Create biopsychosocial treatment plans in conjunction with the shared goals of the Total Care team and patient. Link treatment plan to specific goals improving patient outcomes.
- Develops population-specific clinical expertise in treating patients with chronic illnesses and chronic pain.
• Develop proficiency with UPMC’s electronic medical record database (Epic) and provide accurate, timely and appropriate documentation of all social work interventions in the medical record per regulatory policies and procedures.
• Represents the discipline of social work on hospital, community or other committees of interest.
• Attend agency and state training as appropriate or as required.
• Maintain regular contact with consumers during inpatient hospitalizations.
• Offer ongoing support to the patient and consultation to the treatment team, including weekly attendance at team meetings. Coordinate with other relevant providers.
• Participate in ongoing research projects, quality improvement projects, and events supported by the Digestive Disorders Center.

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The UPMC Department of Neurosurgery, part of the UPMC Neurological Institute, offers the most advanced and comprehensive treatment and surgical care options for complex brain, skull base, and spine disorders. Expert care in treating the full array of brain and skull base disorders, from tumors to aneurysms to painful facial nerve conditions. Leaders in minimally invasive spine surgery, complex adult scoliosis surgery, and spine oncology, using the most innovative treatments available. The surgeons are among the most experienced in the world in treating an array of neurosurgical conditions.

At the UPMC Department of Neurosurgery, part of the UPMC Neurological Institute, they are committed to finding the best treatment approach for each patient, maximizing the benefits of surgery while minimizing the risks. The department is the largest academic neurosurgical provider in the United States, performing more than 11,000 procedures each year.

When evaluating their patients, they look at their conditions from every direction — to find the path that is least disruptive to the patient’s brain, spine, critical nerves, and blood vessels — with the goal of returning to normal functioning. It’s a truly comprehensive, customized approach to care.

The physicians are pioneers in their field, developing new techniques and tools in brain, spine, and peripheral nerve care. Within the department, a number of minimally invasive treatments have been pioneered and refined, offering new hope to patients with complex neurosurgical disorders.

Whether treatment is surgical or nonsurgical, the team collaborates to seek the best technique — or combination of techniques — to treat each patient’s condition, and help him or her return to a normal and healthy lifestyle.
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West Penn Hospital has over 300 beds and is located in the Bloomfield area of Pittsburgh. West Penn Hospital offers specialized services that draw patients from a large radius. The hospital has the following units: Emergency Department, Labor & Delivery, Newborn Nursery, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Burn Unit, Oncology, as well as multiple Medical/Surgical units. As with any health care setting, they serve many patients who are not only medically complex, but also experiencing mental health concerns such as anxiety, depression, grief and loss, and other mood disorders. Featuring 317 private patient beds, West Penn Hospital has served Bloomfield and its surrounding communities since 1848. With an outstanding reputation for clinical care, excellence in nursing and exemplary patient outcomes, West Penn Hospital offers specialized services that draw patients throughout the tri-state area. Over the years, West Penn has earned regional and national recognition for excellence in bariatric surgery, bone marrow and cell transplantation, burn care, cardiac care, nursing, women’s and infant's care, and more.

Providing quality care for our patients:

• West Penn Hospital is rated the No. 1 hospital in Western PA* for Medical Excellence in Bariatric Surgery
• West Penn Hospital is rated among the Top 10% of hospitals in the nation for Medical Excellence in Stroke Care

**Social Work Student Internship Opportunity**
The fellows will be exposed to the above units and will assist with the following:

• Collaborating with patients, families, doctors, nurses, and other members of the treatment as needed in order to create individualized discharge plans
• Completing psychosocial assessments
• Connecting patients to resources including mental health resources and community supports
• Providing crisis intervention to patients in need
• Providing bereavement counseling
• Completing referrals for discharge including follow up care or follow up placements such as skilled nursing facilities, psychiatric placement, outpatient counseling, D&A treatment, etc.
• In addition, the social work students are mandated reporters and would assist social workers in making CYF referrals. The social work students will:
  • Have the opportunity to experience weekend on-call with social workers, if interested
  • Have the opportunity to attend trainings offered by the hospital, as well as learn the medical documentation system
  • Be exposed to community resources available in the Pittsburgh area as well as surrounding areas

**Requirements:**
Students are required to present proof of immunizations, Act 33, Act 34, and FBI clearances, as well as TB test prior to starting the placement. Dress code is business casual, and students will be required to purchase a lab coat.
UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital Addiction Medicine Services, Center of Excellence offers specialized care for patients with opioid use disorder. Services are provided in a WPH Oxford Building in an outpatient center and in the community. We are an integrated care team that includes psychiatrists, nurses, clinical social workers, and peer specialists. We serve adults (ages 18 and up) who are receiving medication assisted treatment (Methadone, Suboxone, or Vivitrol) for an opioid use disorder.

Social Work Student Internship Opportunity
The Baker Fellow will provide psychosocial assessment, counseling for substance use disorders and general mental health, care coordination, and linkage to community resources. The student will also engage with our patients and other staff in inpatient or outpatient settings when our patients are being seen elsewhere in the UPMC system. The fellow will have opportunities to observe and participate in direct practice including assessment, case management, individual therapy, group, and couples therapy. There are many opportunities to observe and participate in interdisciplinary and interagency meetings, and to interface with a number of UPMC programs and services.

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