



Office of Field Education

Request for Exception to Remote Field Activities

The following intern has requested an exception to the mandated remote field activities implemented March 19, 2020. Please respond to the intern’s request.

Intern: Ricky Jackson
Field Placement: Greenbelt Cares Youth and Family Service
Field Instructor: Teresa Smithson

I am in my advanced year at the School of Social Work. My responsibilities at my field placement involve providing individual and family therapy to members of the local community. I am also responsible for updating the electronic medical record software with intake notes, progress notes, treatment plans, and treatment plan reviews. Prior to the coronavirus pandemic, all services were provided to clients at offices in the Greenbelt Cares municipal building. Last week, Greenbelt cares implemented a policy where members of the community who are not employees are no longer allowed to enter the building. Counseling services are now delivered to clients via telephone counseling and video tele-counseling. Were I to return to field, I would work with clients over the phone in an office that is not concurrently shared with other employees. Given the above circumstances, **I am requesting to remain at my field placement for two more weeks to wrap up with my clients.** I would then complete my final field placement hours remotely. Thanks for your consideration.

3/23/2020

Approved Disapproved

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