

Psychology Undergraduate Internship Placement – Adult Mental Health (Acute Inpatient)

Location of Placement

Inpatient ward (Fletcher) at Bodmin Hospital, Boundary Road, Bodmin PL31 2QT

Accessibility:

Is a car required to undertake this placement?

The placement would include very limited travel to other locations so a car is not a necessity as this is not a community based placement.

Description of Role:

Include key tasks and opportunities

We are looking for motivated, enthusiastic and caring individuals to support our acute inpatients and the staff team. Strong interpersonal skills, curiosity and an interest in a range of acute mental health needs will be valued by the team. This placement would offer support to progress your career in psychology.

You will be supported by the Clinical Psychologist based on Fletcher Acute Inpatient Ward to develop psychological input on the ward and to support staff in developing a psychologically informed ward environment. The role of clinical psychology is relatively new and this is an exciting time to be involved in service development.

Your role will involve supporting the Clinical Psychologist working with individual patients, with a range of mental illnesses, using assessment and formulation skills to understand clients' difficulties. We use a range of psychological models and in addition to client work we support families and the staff working with patients. You will be supported in gathering information from various sources, using semi-structured interviews and developing formulation skills.

You will be asked to input, manage and analyse data to support clinical work and service evaluation.

Other duties will likely include:

- Conducting clinical note and literature searches, developing materials for groups and other initiatives.
- Supporting group or individual clinical work alongside the qualified

Clinical Psychologist, e.g. contributing specific planned input to a group or individual intervention under live supervision.

- Attending MDT ward reviews and other related meetings, inputting to peer supervision groups and training sessions alongside the qualified Clinical Psychologist.
- Undertaking specified administrative support tasks e.g. photocopying and filing.

Preferred placement duration in weeks:

Intern can negotiate placement length based on university course requirements

Placement days: (please tick)

Intern can choose to undertake either 3 or 4 days in placement each week based on university course requirements