



## WELCOME TO THE

# The Northwest Michigan Behavioral Health Internship Newsletter





### An Update on [behavioralhealthinterns.org](http://behavioralhealthinterns.org) NW MICHIGAN'S INTERNSHIP DIRECTORY

The Northwest Michigan Community Health Innovation Region's (CHIR) Behavioral Health Initiative (BHI) is made up of 12 cross-sector Action Teams that work to increase access to behavioral health services and enhance well-being across the region. The Recruit Behavioral Health Interns Action Team developed a website that serves as a searchable electronic directory for behavioral health-related internship opportunities in northwest Michigan. During the site's launch party it was suggested that a page be added for organizations to use when they are looking to connect with a school that requires its students to complete internships.

To fulfill that request, a page has been added to the site that lists contact information for field placement faculty at several different universities. You can access this new page by visiting [behavioralhealthinterns.org](http://behavioralhealthinterns.org) and clicking on the "Connect with a School" tab at the top of the homepage, or by clicking the image below. To update contact information for your school, email Amy Horstman at [a.horstman@nwhealth.org](mailto:a.horstman@nwhealth.org).

#### Connect With A School

Are you looking to place more interns within your organization? Connect with the field placement faculty members at the schools listed below to learn more about the internship placement requirements and needs of their students studying within the behavioral health field.

 <b>Connect with CMU</b> Contact: Lissa Schwander Social Work Program Field Director Email: <a href="mailto:schwel1@cmich.edu">schwel1@cmich.edu</a>	 <b>Connect with EMU</b> Contact: Chelsea Muto BSW & MSW Field Coordinator Email: <a href="mailto:cmuto@emich.edu">cmuto@emich.edu</a>
 <b>Connect with FSU</b> Contact: Joanie Hazelton BSW & MSW Field Director Email: <a href="mailto:joaniehazelton@ferris.edu">joaniehazelton@ferris.edu</a>	 <b>Connect with GVSU</b> Contact: Katie Scheuerle or Amanda Stanoble BSW & MSW Field Education Coordinators Email: <a href="mailto:scheuerk@gvsu.edu">scheuerk@gvsu.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:stansbla@gvsu.edu">stansbla@gvsu.edu</a>

## NW Michigan Internship Program Highlight

### NORTH COUNTRY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH

North Country CMH works with student interns working to obtain their Bachelor or Master of Social Work degree and those studying to become a Licensed Professional Counselor. North Country assists interns with the completion of their educational requirements in the discipline of Behavioral Health. They offer interns a program that

includes a variety of opportunities with their wide spectrum of services within the behavioral health field and every internship is individualized based upon the interests of the student. Many interns are offered full time positions at the end of their internship, upon completion of their degrees. Interns are accepted year-round. To learn more about their internship program, contact Jennifer Nolan at [jnolan@norcocmh.org](mailto:jnolan@norcocmh.org).



# MSW Program Highlight

## FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

FSU's social work program requires students that are studying for either their Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) or Master of Social Work (MSW) degree to complete an internship. BSW students are required to participate in two internship experiences; one at the start of their program and another during their senior year. These internships allow students to gain firsthand social work experience and master the fundamentals of the field. MSW students have different internship requirements, depending on if the student is


accepted as a foundation year student (students without a BSW in social work) or enters the program with advanced standing (students with a BSW and a required minimum, overall GPA of 3.2, and a 3.5 average GPA in social work courses). To learn more about FSU's social work program and internship requirements, visit the University's [Department of Social Work](#) page, or email Joanie Hazelton, Social Work Faculty and BSW Northern Region Advisor at [joaniehazelton@ferris.edu](mailto:joaniehazelton@ferris.edu) or Janet Vizina-Roubal, MSW Program Director at [janetvizinaroubal@ferris.edu](mailto:janetvizinaroubal@ferris.edu).



## Register for the next BHI Summit!

**GROWING CAPABLE SYSTEMS FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: DECEMBER 7TH, 2023**

Click the image to the right to register for the Summit and receive your unique Zoom link.

THE NWCHIR'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE  
**Invites You!** 

**GROWING CAPABLE SYSTEMS FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: A CELEBRATION AND ACTION SUMMIT**  
December 7th, 2023  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The graphic is a rectangular box with a white background and a thin blue border. It contains text and a logo. At the top, it says 'THE NWCHIR'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE' in a small blue font, followed by 'Invites You!' in a large, bold, dark blue font. To the right of 'Invites You!' is a blue silhouette of a human head in profile, facing right, with several green gears of various sizes inside the head. Below this, the main title 'GROWING CAPABLE SYSTEMS FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: A CELEBRATION AND ACTION SUMMIT' is written in a bold, dark blue font. Underneath the title, the date and time 'December 7th, 2023' and '9:00 AM - 3:00 PM' are listed in a smaller, dark blue font.

Let us know what else you'd like to hear about!

Click the link below to let us know what else you would like to learn about in future editions of the quarterly Northwest Michigan Behavioral Health Internship Newsletter.

[PROVIDE YOUR INPUT HERE!](#)

## Join Our Action Team

**RECRUIT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INTERNS**

Join our team and help to recruit behavioral health interns to the region! To join or ask questions about this team's work, email [behavioralhealth@northernmichiganchir.org](mailto:behavioralhealth@northernmichiganchir.org)



This is the work of the Recruit Behavioral Health Interns Team, one of the 12 Northwest CHIR's Behavioral Health Initiative Action Teams. Action Teams consist of cross sector partners willing and able to take action collectively and supported by the CHIR BBO staff. Learn more about the CHIR and the Behavioral Health Initiative, and stay connected by visiting [northernmichiganchir.org](http://northernmichiganchir.org)