

Placement Orientation Children & Youth Setting

2023-2024 Concurrent Placement

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Welcome on board

What are curious about YOUTH?

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5 SECOND SELF-INTRODUCTION TO CHILDREN & YOUTH

- Concise
- Impressive
- Attractive
- Resourceful
- Fit their needs

Beware of your Image

Non-threatening



Read before placement

https://placement.socialwork.hku.hk/placement.html

- Types of placement/ Services for Children & Youth (CYS)
- Placement form/A-09 Agency Feedback Form
- A-10a/ ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE



Al generated language models

As per the 2023 – 24 course outlines of SOWK4006, 4007, 6225 & 6231

'In order to maintain clients' confidential data and in line with the ethical practice of the profession and the requirements of the personal data (Privacy) Ordinance, 1995, which are reiterated in the social work fieldwork placement handbook (pp.16), it is **prohibited to use the Al generated language models for fieldwork courses**.'



ICYSC

- Centre based services (some have OR or/and School ss)
- 6-24 children and youth and their parents/families.
- SEN, new arrival, emotional/behavioral/social skills/mental health issues, etc.
- Drop-in service, interest Classes, special projects
- Work with schools, e.g. 「小學全方位輔導服務」、「成長的天空」(UAP)、「共創成長路」(PATH)、「區本及校本課後支援計劃」

Things to Note

- Try to know about /experience other teams' work;
- Casework may not be allowed.
 - Try your best to negotiate with the in-charge & your supervisor;
 - Brief case? Informal case?
- Don't expect very problematic cases. Pay attention to their needs and potential risks/difficulties such as being neglected by the parents, being bullied by peers, school adjustment issues. Early intervention helps them a lot;
- Big challenge of engagement and recruitment. You have to identify potential cases/group clients by yourself



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- Target: Age below 18 (some of them are below 21)
 Institutional Residential Service
- Children and adolescents who have emotional disturbances or behavioral problems
- Children and adolescents who are under Child and Protection Order (C&P order) or Probation Order (PO)
 Small Group home
- Those families cannot function well to take care of their children e.g. broken/difficult families, abuse, violence, parents as drug addicts...
- Ward children
- No serious behavioral/emotional problems

Things to Note

- Your work have to match the schedule of home;
 - Night duties and holiday duties could be possible
- Many social workers are involved to follow one case such as SWD IFSC worker,
 Probation Officer (if any) ,School Social Worker and the workers in the hostel;
- Pay attention to SEN & mental health issues;
- Check if the residents will take home-leave during summer/ prolonged holiday. If so, you need to finish the assigned tasks as early as possible



Outreaching Social work

- YOTs (day & night time) & YNDs (10pm-6am)
- Target: 6-24 youth-at-risk
- Common issues: drug abuse, triad society, truancy, sex- related issues, crime, emotional disturbances, family issues
- Testing behaviors, aggressive and undesirable behaviors
- Field observation, "Spot" work & referral work
- Working in unstructured setting e.g. street, park, fast-food

shop, etc.

- Irregular working hours and outdoor work
- Casework-based, group work, program work
 & inter- disciplinary cooperation

Things to Note

- Icebreaking & engagement skills are crucial;
- Continuous rapport building;
- Thick understanding on individuals and families;
- Client-centered values and skills;
- Understanding natural group and gang dynamics;
- Tailor-made activities;
- Independent, mature, open-minded, quick responding, creative, positive, empathetic;
- Value shock, non-judgmental principle;
- Willing to connect with & understand clients;
- Very challenging and with frequent frustration;
- Fight with & fight for the clients, not fight against the clients!

Contemporary approaches to work with young people

Use of Art

Positive Psychology

Narrative Therapy

Mindfulness

Career guidance

Use of Play

Newly emerged sports













Concern for others
Aesthetics

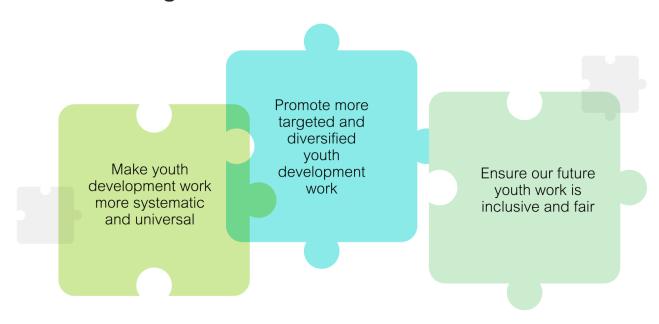
Attitudes Flexible Helpful Social perceptual skills
Oral communication skills

Knowledge Sociology and Psychology

Youth Development Blueprint

You may need to check it out before your placement

Overall Strategies





Reminders

- Pay attention to the characteristics of your target group
- Understand their needs & problems & challenges
- Client's culture and context:
 - e.g. the impact of the social media, social issue
- Dress code your image
- Boundary

Please Mark the Dates

Agency Visit 1

• Date : 7 July 2023



Time : 10:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m.

Venue : AKA Jockey Club Integrated Service Centre

 No. 1, Podium Floor, Pik Ngan House, Shek Pai Wan Estate, Aberdeen, Hong Kong

Agency Visit 2: Mother's Choice (T.B.C.)

Mid-Placement Sharing

Date : 13 December 2023

• Time: 7:00 p.m. – 21:00 p.m.

Venue : CJT 533