Learning Collaborative: Social Workers on the Front Line of the Opioid Epidemic

Request for Applications
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Introduction

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Overview

• **Goal**: Prepare social work students to lead the response to the current opioid epidemic and other addiction-related consequences in individuals, families and communities.

• **Partners**
  – Funded by: The New York Community Trust [https://www.nycommunitytrust.org/](https://www.nycommunitytrust.org/)
  – Council on Social Work Education [https://cswe.org](https://cswe.org)

• **Timeline**:
  – Application deadline: October 8, 7pm ET
  – Learning Collaborative: October 22, 2019 – ongoing through May 2021

• **Participants**:
  – 10 programs or schools of social work
    • Faculty
    • Students: 7-8 recruited and selected by schools
    • Field placement supervisors
Eligibility of Program or School

• Accredited by CSWE
• Offer one or more of the following:
  – BSW
  – MSW
  – Combined BSW/MSW advanced standing
• Offer at least one addiction-related course (can be elective)
• Have an existing relationship with at least one field placement site providing addiction-related services
Learning Collaborative Overview

Resources and Activities

• 1-on-1 coaching with faculty and supervisors
• Peer-to-peer learning with other participating schools
• Virtual learning collaborative
• Technical team site visit
• Handouts and presentations to use for teaching and learning

Topics Including

• Framework of addiction
• Prevention, harm reduction, and recovery
• Pharmacologic/non-pharmacologic interventions for opioid use and other substance use disorders
• Role of social workers in addressing the opioid epidemic

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Participants: Schools/Faculty

Benefits

- Build capacity
- Connect through learning collaborative
- Site visit
- $5,000 stipend for the school

Role

- Participate in learning collaborative activities and evaluation
- Update and offer substance use/addiction-related course
- Offer field placement opportunities
- Recruit 7-8 student participants
Participants: Students Recruited by Schools (7-8 each)

Benefits
- Apply knowledge and skills
- Connect through learning collaborative
- Stipend (up to $6,000 each)

Role
- Complete course
- Complete field practicum with site providing addition-related services
- Participate in learning collaborative activities and evaluation
Participants: Field Placement Sites

Benefits
- Develop future workforce
- Connect through learning collaborative
- Stipend

Role
- Train at least one student (2020-21)
- Participate in learning collaborative activities and evaluation
Timeline

Learning Collaborative & Technical Assistance

**October 2019 - ongoing**
- Participate in learning collaborative activities
- Enhance course

Field Placements & Coursework

**July 2020 – April 2021**
- Students begin field placements
- Offer coursework
- Learning collaborative continues
- Site visits

**Spring 2020**
Recruit 7-8 students
Application Information

• Application Deadline
  – Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 7:00pm ET

• Application Components
  – School background
  – Describe interest in participating in the initiative
  – Provide overview of current efforts and capacity around substance-use and addiction

• Application Questions?
  – Contact Amanda Baer, AmandaB@TheNationalCouncil.org
Questions

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