

SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS POLICY

GENERAL SUPERVISION

AK-PIC recognizes the rights of interns and faculty to be treated with courtesy and respect. To maximize the quality and effectiveness of the interns' learning experiences, all interactions among interns, training supervisors, and faculty/staff are collegial and conducted in a manner that reflects the highest standards of the profession. AK-PIC faculty inform interns of these principles and of their avenues of recourse should problems arise through policies that are available at ak-pic.org and in the AK-PIC Intern Orientation Handbook.

AK-PIC faculty regularly schedule supervision and are accessible for consultation to interns when they are providing clinical services. AK-PIC faculty provide interns with a level of observation, guidance, and supervision that encourages successful completion of the internship. Faculty serve as professional role models and engage in actions that promote interns' acquisition of knowledge, skills, and competencies consistent with the AK-PIC's training aims.

One licensed psychologist serves as primary clinical supervisor for each intern. Interns receive a minimum of two (2) hours of individual supervision each week from a licensed psychologist. Supplemental weekly individual supervision may be provided by other appropriately credentialed professionals at the training site. Interns also have consistent access to other supervisory staff and are expected to utilize those staff in the event that non-scheduled consultation or crisis coverage is required when the primary supervisor for any case is off-site.

Interns receive a minimum of two (2) hours of group supervision each week, one at the primary training site, and one across AK-PIC sites. AK-PIC group supervision is led by each member of the core faculty on a rotating basis, in order to provide all interns with the opportunity to experience a breadth of supervisory relationships beyond their primary supervisor. For all clinical cases discussed during AK-PIC group supervision, full professional responsibility remains with the intern clinician's primary supervisor, and any crises or other time-sensitive issues are reported to that supervisor immediately.

All interns will receive a total minimum of 4 hours per week of supervision.

TELESUPERVISION

The Alaska Psychology Internship Consortium uses videoconferencing on occasion to provide individual or group supervision to interns working in remote locations. Telesupervision can only account for 1 of the 2 hours of required individual supervision per week. The other hour of required weekly individual supervision must be in-person. Telesupervision may not account for more than 2 hours of the minimum required 4 total weekly hours of supervision.

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All AK-PIC videoconferencing occurs over a secure network using a videoconferencing bridge. Supervision sessions using this technology are never recorded. All interns are provided with instruction regarding the use of the videoconferencing equipment at the outset of the training year. Technical difficulties that cannot be resolved on site are directed to the appropriate IT personnel at each site.

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