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## DIDACTIC ATTENDANCE AND DELIVERY POLICY

Attendance at the weekly Didactic Seminar and other scheduled group training activities is mandatory for all interns in the Alaska Psychology Internship Consortium and is required for successful completion of the internship. Attendance to these scheduled activities should take priority over other site obligations each week. Site supervisors are aware of these activities and their requirement for interns.

Didactics Seminar utilizes videoconferencing as the avenue for delivery. The didactic will be in-person or via videoconference. We believe that the use of technology in training serves as an opportunity to introduce and acquaint interns with good video-conferencing practices that inform distance learning and telehealth, should they need to provide distance-delivered services in the course of their professional work after completing the Internship. AK-PIC recognizes that distance technology is often an important component of rural practice, and in this way, Didactic Seminar via videoconference is consistent with the overall mission of the internship.

A schedule for the Didactic Seminar will be distributed at the beginning of each year and is updated throughout the year. Revisions will be provided on a periodic basis throughout the year. Attendance at each seminar meeting is tracked by the AK-PIC consortium. No unexcused absences are allowed.

Absences must be discussed and approved by primary supervisor prior to the didactic. It is the responsibility of the intern to inform the AK-PIC faculty and intern body of a future absence from didactic. Again, pre-approved intern vacation and alternative training opportunities are considered excused absences. Interns who miss a meeting of the didactic seminar because of a serious emergency or for a serious illness should alert their Site Director and Co-directors of Training as soon as possible. If a pattern of didactic absences emerges, the site supervisor will address with intern and bring to AK-PIC Committee for resolution. Didactic absences will be reviewed at quarterly meetings.

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