# Training Psychology Graduate Students in Pediatric Integrated Care

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# How to promote Peds IPC training via:

- Traditional & interprofessional classroom settings
- Practicum Experiences
- Research



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# The "traditional" classroom

### How do we promote familiarity with IPC?

- Readings in Practicum Courses
- Ethics Case Examples
- Child Clinical: Innovations in Service Delivery/Systems Level Thinking

### How do we build more specific knowledge?

- Special elective course: Primary Care Psychology
- Introduction to integrated care models
- Training in brief assessment & intervention (PCBH)

# The interprofessional classroom

### How do we promote collaborative learning early in graduate training?

- Invite graduate students from health disciplines across the university to participate in interprofessional training series
- 3 synchronous Zoom trainings on IP Competencies
  - Mutual respect/common values, defining roles, communication skills, working as team
- 1 in person simulated patient experience

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### The interprofessional classroom

Disciplines to recruit: Psychology Social Work Nursing Pharmacy Occupational Therapy Outcomes to assess: Attitudes towards interprofessional practice Knowledge/skills learned Satisfaction with training

# Practicum Experiences

How can we collaborate with community organizations to build and sustain applied learning experiences?

- FDU ENGAGED Educating the Next Generation to Advance Growth through Empowerment and Diversity
- Collaboration with social work, nurse practitioner, and school psychology to implement interdisciplinary education and development along with support to graduate students and professionals providing behavioral health services to youth in medically underserved communities.
- Provide stipends for practicum placements in the community, including FQHCs and school system
- Interprofessional training experiences

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## Research

- How do we promote research/program evaluation at the graduate level?
- How to partner with community agencies in a way that is mutually beneficial?

# Integrated Behavioral Health Lab

### Lab Goals:

• Improve access to, and quality of, behavioral health care for children and underserved families

### Lab Values:

- Contribute to the science and practice of integrated care
- Implement applied research that directly benefits the community
- Foster a collaborative/collegial lab environment

#### Lab Approach:

- Laboratory-based and community-based projects
- Diverse methodologies

# Examples

- Evaluation of the Model in Pediatric/Family Health Centers
  - Patient & provider acceptability
  - Parents' needs and preferences for services
  - Barriers & facilitators to provider adoption
- Adaptation of Empirically Supported Treatments
  - Developing focused & efficient interventions in primary care
  - Emphasizing change principles & processes in intervention development

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### BRIEF REPORT

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### Exploring pre-implementation perceptions of integrated care in a university setting

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# Questions for the group

- How can we promote interprofessional, collaborative practice at the graduate school level?
  - Need for funding, resources, systemic change in curriculum
- What foundational knowledge and skills do graduate students need in order to work in pediatric IPC settings?
- Examples of training programs?