



## Weekly Field Placement Journal

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Week of: 2/25/2013-3/03/2013

Hours worked this week: 21.5

Total hours this semester: 589.5

### **Describe meaningful *learning activities/experiences* for this past week.**

This week completed a pre/post assessment and evaluation tool for the Relapse prevention group which will help determine if the group is effective in reducing relapse with the members. I also developed a survey for clients of the Tennessee Department of Corrections in order to assess their outlook on the services provided to them. This week I was also surprised to find that about an hour before our weekly relapse prevention group my co-facilitator canceled and I had to facilitate the class on my own. The class went better than what I had thought it would have but I did experience some difficulties with one member and I had to refer to my ethical decision making guide and consult with my field instructor.

### **1. Analyze experiences you engaged in this week that challenged you to use what you've learned in a social work course including:**

#### **a. Describe how learning experiences fulfilled *practice behaviors*.**

Developing the pre/post assessment and evaluation tool for the relapse prevention helped me work towards competency 10: Engage, assess, intervene, and evaluate with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities- Formulate comprehensive assessments, using a variety of diagnostic classification systems. Developing the survey for clients of the Tennessee Department of Corrections in order to assess their outlook on the services provided to them helped me work towards competency 10: Engage, assess, intervene, and evaluate with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities- design and implement organizational and community assessments. Conducting the group meeting this week by myself and dealing with the problems of a client in the group helped me work towards competency 2: Apply social work ethical principles to guide professional practice- Demonstrate autonomous ethical use-of-self and value-grounded practice.

#### **b. Discuss how you implemented learning from class work.**

Last year I helped complete a community needs assessment in which we used questionnaires to help us determine what project was needed in the community. This helped me in developing the survey for the clients of the Tennessee Department of Corrections by knowing what type of questions to ask and how to transform that into future services.

**2. Describe areas of growth or concern to address during supervision.**

This week I think I did an excellent job facilitating the group alone. Although I was prepared for the class this forced me to take a lead role and enabled me to see what it was like when no co-facilitator is available. Dealing with an issue with a disruptive client also gave me an opportunity to see how I would handle the situation which I think went well.

**3. Supervisor comments:**

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Student Signature

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Date

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Field Instructor

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