

# University Hospital Addiction Consult Service

**1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF AGENCY**

University Hospital  
Addiction Consult Service  
50 N. Medical Dr., SLC, UT 84132

**2. AGENCY WEBSITE:** <https://healthcare.utah.edu/uni/programs/>

**AGENCY MISSION**

The Addiction Consult Service is a multidisciplinary team that provides addiction consultation to medical teams at University Hospital for patients hospitalized with co-occurring substance use disorders. This service provides comprehensive substance use assessments including psychiatric evaluation, helps manage intoxication and withdrawal, initiates and manages medication assisted treatment (MAT) for alcohol and opioid use disorders, develops treatment plans aligned with the patient's goals for substance use, uses motivational interviewing to support patients, facilitates mutual understanding between patient and primary team, connects patients with appropriate community resources, and refers to a higher level of care when indicated. We work closely with the Psychiatric Consult Liaison Service. Students will have the opportunity to work with and learn from both consultation services. Students will have the opportunity to network across other University systems

**3. CLIENT POPULATIONS SERVED**

Work with adult and geriatric populations who are hospitalized for a primary medical problem at University Hospital and Huntsman Cancer Hospital. Will work with patients who have both psychiatric and substance use disorders.

**4. TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

- Observe a variety of diagnosis and psychiatric presentations
- Assess patient's risk level, determine treatment plans accordingly.
- Work as part of an interdisciplinary team with psychiatrists, addiction medicine fellows, social workers, nurses and case managers
- Advocate for patient with insurance companies
- Training in crisis intervention with a possible rotation with the crisis service in the Emergency Department
- Use Solution Focus and Motivational Interviewing skills when working with patients towards their treatment goals
- Opportunities to become acquainted with and utilize a large database of community resources.
- Practice written and verbal communication skills among a wide demographic of patients, colleagues, and disciplines.

**5. SPECIAL PROGRAMS/UNITS (LOCATION, FUNCTION)**

Have an opportunity to observe and participate in evaluations in the ED with the crisis workers

**6. SPECIFIC DAYS/HOURS/TRAINING/ASSIGNMENTS REQUIRED OF STUDENTS**

Hours are 8am-4:30pm M-F. There will be a week of onboard training through University of Utah Health/HMHI prior to beginning of rotation of the Addiction's Consult Service

**7. QUALITIES WE LOOK FOR IN A PRACTICUM STUDENT**

Mature and dedicated individuals  
DSM V knowledge is helpful but not required

**8. NUMBER OF STUDENT PRACTICUMS AVAILABLE**

There will be 1 student accepted

**9. STIPEND/AMOUNT/CRITERIA FOR AWARDED**

\$7,000 that will be dispersed, bimonthly, throughout the practicum