

## Judi's House Clinical Internship Description

Judi's House is a comprehensive grief center serving children ages 3-18, young adults 18-25, and their parents or caregivers. We serve individuals who are grieving a death loss of any kind, including illness, suicide, homicide, and accidental death. The families that we serve are grieving the death of a "special person" who could be a parent, sibling, grandparent or other family member, friend, etc.

We primarily offer group counseling facilitated by highly skilled licensed mental health professionals and graduate-level interns with trained community members serving as group volunteers. Our trauma-informed, strength-based model recognizes that grief is a natural, healthy reaction to loss. With the right people available and in the right environment, children and families can begin to heal. At Judi's House we do not pathologize grief. We respect each person's unique way of coping. We meet clients where they are and believe there are many ways to grieve.

Some clients and families experience complex or traumatic grief reactions. When clinically indicated, we offer individual and family therapy to meet these more intense needs. All services are free of charge.

## Internship Requirements:

- Minimum of 20 hours/week, over four quarters (i.e., one calendar year); interns are responsible for tracking hours. Clinical responsibilities during the 20/hour week are broken down as follows:
  - Commitment to a minimum of three groups at any given time (one daytime group and two evening groups per week)
  - Availability for two daytime assessment appointments
  - Ability to work with at least two non-group therapy clients during internship
- Available days and evenings (Monday-Thursday)
- Available Thursdays from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Participation in weekly Clinical Review meeting (Thursdays 11am-1pm)
- Start date in Fall (mid-late August)
- Flexibility during school holidays/vacations is necessary to meet the needs of clients; this includes groups, meetings, and any assigned clients
- Participation in facilitating at least one group at a community site (mileage is reimbursable)
- Flexibility in job responsibilities—must be willing to do *some* clerical work and housework, as Judi's House is a place where everyone pitches in to get the job done
- Participation in special clinical projects, as assigned
- Participation in thorough case conceptualization and presentation



- Participation in at least one special event or opportunity to represent Judi's House in the community (may occur on a weekend)
- Participation in our internship training weekend, August 15, 16, 17, 2024
- Commitment to Evaluation and Research protocol
- Adherence to randomized control trial efficacy study protocol of the Pathfinders Program
- Follow all requirements as outlined in the Program Policies and Procedures Manual
- Registration with DORA during internship; guidance and timeline provided after internship start
- Maintain Professional liability insurance during internship

## Our Commitment to Trainees:

- Minimum of one hour of individual supervision per week
- Minimum of two hours of Clinical Review and case consultation per week
- Monthly intern support meeting
- Experience working with most/all age groups throughout year
- Experience facilitating school or community groups
- Experience conducting comprehensive psychosocial assessments
- Experience doing individual/family counseling (depending on schedule and need; likely only 2-4 clients assigned over the course of internship).
- In-house trainings on grief, trauma, and other mental health related topics
- Interns will have the unique experience of supporting Judi's House/JAG as the organization completes a randomized clinical trial exploring the effectiveness of our core multi-family group therapy program, Pathfinders
- A modest, monthly travel and food stipend
- Opportunity to participate in staff development trainings
- Commitment towards self-care for all staff/interns
- Allotted 40 hours of personal time off and 48 hours of sick leave
- Experience and supervision hours towards licensure (compliant with Colorado DORA) if all degree requirements have been met prior to end of training commitment

Internship Start	Internship End (One year commitment)	Application Timeline
Fall/August 15, 2024	August 15, 2025	Open on website: January 8 Priority Deadline: January 19 Application Closes: February 18

Have other questions or concerns? Send an inquiry to gradinternship@judishouse.org