

**Nationwide Workforce Development of Integrated Behavioral Health Professionals to Meet the Needs of Children, Adolescents, and Transitional-Age Youth: Next Generation Partnership Project (NGPP)**

**Overview**

This one-year stipend of \$10,000 is available to MSW students in the last year of their program who graduate in the spring (ideally) or summer semester and who want to pursue a career in integrated behavioral health. This stipend program is open to campus-based (UPC) and Virtual Academic Center (VAC) MSW students.

This initiative focuses on enhancing the education and inter-professional training of MSW students who are committed to providing improved integrated behavioral health services to vulnerable populations, with an emphasis on children, adolescents, and transitional-aged youth (CATAY). The goal is to expose students to the best evidence-based, strengths-based practice models in integrated behavioral health, and to provide students an understanding of recovery and its potential to transform behavioral health services.

**Application**

Please email your application as described below to Ms. Melissa Woolley at [woolleym@usc.edu](mailto:woolleym@usc.edu).

We will accept applications between **February 27, 2023 and May 5, 2023**. However, a different timeline might be adopted for students from the VAC. Please note that while applications are due on **May 5, 2023**, the selection process includes accepting students who best fit the criteria and requirements of the stipend program and may therefore extend throughout the summer.

Provide the following information:

- Your name
- Your department (AMHW or CYF)
- Expected date of graduation
- Email
- USC ID number
- Telephone number

To be eligible, you must submit a 2-page essay (single or double-spaced) that answers the following questions:

- Why are you interested in applying for the NGPP stipend program?
- What are your learning goals related to providing integrated behavioral health services with a focus on CATAY?
- What skills do you possess that would benefit the NGPP stipend program?