# COMPETENCIES QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

## AND

## INDIVIDUAL TRAINING CONTRACT

### 2008-2009

**Resident:**

**Primary Supervisor:**

**Delegated Supervisor:**

**Assessment Supervisors:**

**Other Supervisors:**

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The following grid is designed to be an interactive communication tool for the resident and supervisors. It is intended to provide an initial evaluation of the resident’s skills as an entry-level postdoctoral resident, with subsequent quarterly reviews and re-evaluations. The Baseline rating is taken from the resident’s self-assessment, and serves as a fluid starting point for developing the individual training plan. Identification of areas of focus for supervision should be marked with an S. The resident will obtain supervised experience and demonstrate competencies in the following checked skill areas by the end of the quarter.

**Competency Assessment Rating Scale:**

5 = Outstanding : Resident’s performance meets expectations of a licensed, eligible psychologist.
4 = Exceeds Expectations: Resident’s performance significantly exceeds expectations of his/her position as an entry-level postdoctoral resident.
3 = Meets Expectations: Resident’s performance meets expectations of his/her position as an entry-level postdoctoral resident.
2 = Needs Improvement: Resident’s performance is below the expectations of his/her position as an entry-level postdoctoral resident.
1 = No experience or Not applicable
S = Current area targeted as a focus of supervision

### CORE COMPETENCY AREAS

#### GOAL I: PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

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**Objective A: Provides therapy to individuals, families, and groups**

**THERAPY SKILLS:**
- Demonstrates an ability to conduct intake evaluations that lead to well-developed diagnoses
- Appropriateness of treatment plans
- Establishment of rapport and effective working relationship with patient
- Demonstrates a sensitivity to the patient's frame of reference
- Demonstrates conceptualization of patient’s intrapersonal processes
- Sensitive to therapy process issues and demonstrates an ability to use them
- Sensitive to countertransference issues
- Demonstrates the ability to utilize community resources in delivering therapeutic services
- Demonstrates the ability to coordinate treatment with psychiatrist, primary care physicians, and emergency medicine
- Demonstrates appropriate handling of termination
- Demonstrates flexibility in application of a variety of treatment modalities/interventions

**Objective B: Treats a broad range of clients, carrying a progressively larger caseload and managing increasingly complex cases**

**ADVANCED THERAPY SKILLS:**
- Demonstrates confidence in evaluating a wide range of diagnoses and client populations
- Demonstrates increasing competence to conceptualize more complex cases and co-morbidities
- Demonstrates competence to evaluate risk and safety issues and make appropriate recommendations to patients who are in crisis
- Demonstrates competence in conducting intake evaluations that lead to well developed diagnoses and appropriate treatment plans that are realistic and collaborate with patients' goals
- Understands own emotional reactions to the patient constructively and seeks consultation for complex cases
### GOAL I: PROFESSIONAL SKILLS (CONTINUED)

**Objective C: Professional abilities to integrate science and practice**

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- Demonstrates competence in applying Evidence-Based Treatment (EBT) to inform clinical practice
- Uses theoretical and research knowledge to conceptualize cases and form appropriate treatment goals
- Demonstrates competence in making case presentations to peers in group supervision and staff case conferences
- Demonstrates competence to use outcome measures to improve program efficacy by participating in one research project or program evaluation project over the course of the training year

### GOAL II: SENSITIVITY TO DIVERSITY

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- Demonstrates competence in building rapport quickly with all patients regardless of the issues of diversity or socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Identifies potentially challenging patients and seeks supervision/consultation
- Demonstrates an awareness of how one’s own cultural/ethnic identity may impact patients and is committed to exploring this within relationship to clinical work.
- Demonstrates competence and sensitivity to the issues relevant to the treatment and assessment of individuals from diverse ethnic groups, religious backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations.
- Discusses individual differences with patients, when appropriate; acknowledges and respects differences between self and patient

### GOAL III: ASSESSMENT SKILLS

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- Demonstrates competence to administer and interpret intelligence tests, the MMPI-2 and select, administer, and interpret other tests in his/her area of practice
- Completes a minimum of two test batteries that address referral questions and augment more refined treatment plans
- Demonstrates competence to write and organize reports that answer referral questions and give specific recommendations to the referring provider
- Demonstrates competence in timely administration, scoring, and report writing and completes two psychological test reports
- Demonstrates competence to conduct a feedback interview explaining the test results and recommendations
- Demonstrates competence to write reports and gives feedback in a manner that is sensitive to the patient as reader and understandable to the patient and/or caregiver

### GOAL IV: INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATIONS

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- Demonstrates a professional manner and respectful interactions with other staff members (treatment teams, supervisors, and seeks peer support as needed)
- Forms reciprocal consulting relationships with health care professionals from other disciplines (physicians, psychiatrists, nurses and social workers) and uses this information to facilitate case conceptualization and treatment
- Demonstrates professional leadership skills as a consultant and/or psychological liaison in multidisciplinary teams
- Demonstrates competence in providing supervision, builds good rapport with supervisee, and demonstrates knowledge of supervision techniques, employing these skills in a consistent and effective manner, and seeking consultation as needed
- Demonstrates competence in effective time management, keeps scheduled appointments and meetings on time, and keeps supervisors aware of whereabouts as needed; minimizes unplanned leave whenever possible
- Demonstrates responsibility for accurately and efficiently documenting key patient care tasks (phone contacts, letters, intakes and progress notes) in a timely manner, seeks consultation with high risk issues

### GOAL V: ETHICS & LAW

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- Demonstrates competence to identify the ethical issues relevant to clinical cases
- Functions in a manner consistent with the highest ethical standards as outlined by the APA; issues include but are not limited to confidentiality, scope of practice, and personal
- Seeks consultation as needed
- Demonstrates understanding of California laws and national practices, and APA policies that apply to the practice of clinical psychology.
- Demonstrates competence in the utilization of legal resources/consultation to inform clinical practice
## GOAL VI: MANAGING PERSONAL PROCESSES, PROFESSIONAL & EDUCATIONAL GOALS

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### INDIVIDUAL TRAINING CONTRACT

## I. CORE COMPETENCY AREAS (See Competencies Quarterly Progress Report, above)

**Competency areas rated 3 & above:**

### Competency area(s) rated as focus of supervision:

**Core Competency Area:**

**Objective:**

**Plan:**

## II. TRAINING AGREEMENTS

### A. Primary Supervision:

I agree with the plan for Dr. _________________ to be my primary supervisor for my post doctoral residency year. My primary supervisor’s role is as a mentor/guide for my professional development and clinical work. The emphasis during this training year, in addition to the Basic Requirements, will be on, for example, group therapy, crisis intervention, advanced therapy skills, research, case conceptualization, etc.

### B. Delegated Supervision:

Supervisory experiences will be provided by Dr. _________________ who will meet with me one hour per week and will also monitor my case-load and provide guidance in particular areas of interest. In addition I will receive group supervision with Dr. _________________ for _________________, and Dr. _________________ for _________________.

### C. Additional Supervision:

(to meet my career/training objectives) Additional supervisory experiences may include supervision of special populations, groups, or research projects. Dr. _________________ has agreed to supervise _________________ to meet the objective of _________________ (e.g., research project).

### D. Assessment Supervision:

I agree with the plan for Dr. _________________ (&/or) Dr. _________________ to supervise the completion of my required psychological test batteries and provide guidance during group supervision. The emphasis during this supervisory experience will be any remaining area of core competency and may provide advanced experience in a specialized assessment (s).
III: RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

I understand the basic requirements and expected competencies of this postdoctoral program, and I have read the Orientation Manual that details other expectations and responsibilities of the program. My progress with these responsibilities and expectations will be informally evaluated at quarterly intervals and formally evaluated semi-annually. This information will be confidential with the exception that it will be reported by my primary supervisor to the supervisory team. Numerical data is collected from semi-annual evaluations and collated by training site and by the consortium for the purpose of program evaluation.

These responsibilities and expectations are to:

- Maintain professional and ethical standards, including but not limited to adherence to reporting laws, confidentiality, and respect for boundaries
- Maintain a log of supervisory hours (individual and group), treatment team documentation and completed assessments
- Present challenging cases at case conferences, group supervision & fishbowl supervision
- Demonstrate preparedness for supervision
- Present Best Practices Research
- Complete Required Assessments (2)
- Complete Required Research Project or Program Evaluations
- Attend Training Seminars (90%)
- Complete assigned readings
- Model professional behavior by timeliness of record keeping, report writing, meetings, supervision, patient care, etc.

I also understand and agree that:

- Supervisors bear liability in supervision regarding the standard of patient care/client welfare, and need to have complete information regarding clients and files
- In supervision, attention to personal factors such as values, belief systems, biases, conflicts, and predispositions may be discussed in relation to patient care/client welfare.
- In the event that my own personal process(es) do disrupt patient care, the supervisory team and/or training director may suggest that I seek my own personal therapy.
- If any area is incomplete or unsatisfactory, the supervisory team and training director will specify strategies to meet these competencies.

Resident acknowledges that, by signing this form, he/she understands and agrees to the above Responsibilities and Expectations.

The Individual Training Plan has been agreed to on this ______________ of ____________________________, 20_____

Signatures

Resident: (Required) Date

Primary Supervisor: (Required) Date

Training Director: (Required) Date

Delegated Supervisor: Date

Additional Supervisor: Date

Additional Supervisor: Date
