Child Externship Placements:

Akron Children’s Hospital – Rehabilitation (Behavioral Medicine)

**Rotation:** Observation, consultation, and provision of psychological intervention serving pediatric inpatient and day rehabilitation programs. The Rehabilitation Psychology Externship offers psychology trainees the opportunity to develop skills in managing emotional or behavioral concerns that impact recovery in children with acquired and traumatic brain injury, orthopedic injury, and other medical concerns. Trainees will learn to facilitate school re-entry plans and will have extensive opportunity to gain experience working within a multidisciplinary rehabilitation team.

**Primary Focus:** Pediatric Psychology

**Location:** Inpatient and Day Rehabilitation Programs and Division of Neurobehavioral Health

Akron Children’s Hospital – Multiple Rotations (e.g., Feeding Clinic, Tic and Tourette Service, School Success Clinic, and Eating Disorders)

What follows below is a brief synopsis of previous experiences students have had at this multi-rotation placement. These students split their time amongst the sub-rotations described below.

**Rotation:** The Tic and Tourette Service is designed to help students develop experience in providing manualized behavioral health treatment for tic disorders and Tourette, including both the diagnostic process and implementation of CBIT therapy. Trainees may also be required to use additional therapy experiences and skills to address the often highly comorbid diagnoses of ADHD, OCD, anxiety and learning disorders. The trainee will also work closely with the patient’s neurologist (if indicated), primary care team, and school to develop comprehensive support plans and develop the patient’s CBIT skills across settings.

**Primary Focus:** Clinical Child Psychology

**Location:** Neurodevelopment Science Center (NDSC)

**Rotation:** The School Success Clinic rotation is designed to help students gain experience in considering the many factors involved in and affecting a child’s academic performance, as well as the impact of their academic performance on other aspects of their development/life. Students will increase their knowledge regarding differential diagnoses of childhood through interpretation of assessment results and qualitative information. Students will develop proficiency in writing interdisciplinary reports including interdisciplinary summaries and specific psychology assessment reports as well as knowledge in the process of intervention within the public school system in the state of Ohio.

**Primary Focus:** Clinical Child Psychology (Assessment)

**Location:** Neurodevelopmental Science Center (NDSC)

**Rotation:** The Interdisciplinary Feeding Team involves working with pediatric patients and their families within the Feeding Clinic to develop experience in conducting diagnostic evaluations and providing treatment for children with feeding difficulties.

**Primary Focus:** Pediatric Psychology

**Location:** Neurodevelopmental Science Center (NDSC)

Premier Behavioral Health (Adolescent)

**Rotation:** Premier Behavioral Health Services is a private practice in Mentor, OH, and is located approximately one hour northeast of Kent. PBHS is a multi-disciplinary mental health practice providing
a combination of psychiatric and psychological services to adolescents, adults, and seniors. In addition, we currently offer 5 intensive outpatient programs, or IOPs, meeting 3 times a week for a myriad of conditions. PBHS clinicians follow the Dialectical Behavioral Therapy approach to treatment that includes cognitive behavioral strategies. The treatment plan for each patient begins with a psychological evaluation. In addition, PBHS provides neuropsychological assessments for patients with cognitive impairment, suspected Dementia, TBI, ADHD testing, among other conditions. PBHS serves many individual therapy clients from a variety of backgrounds. Practicum students can also work with our neuropsychologist for cognitive assessments. Opportunities will be hands-on and informative. For more information on the services provided, please visit www.pbhsohio.com

Primary Focus: Clinical Child/Adolescent Psychology
Location: Premier Behavioral Health Services; Mentor, OH.

Bellfaire JCB
Rotation: Belfair JCB provides outpatient therapy to children and families. Outpatient services address acute behavioral/mental health symptoms and substance abuse disorders including parent-child or child-sibling relations, oppositional behaviors, depression, anxiety, self-esteem, sexual or physical abuse, teen dating violence, school-related issues (i.e., bullying), life changing events (i.e., divorce), grief/loss/trauma, aggression or stress management, attachment disorders, adoption and foster care adjustment issues, and attention deficit-related problems among others. For more information about the services Bellfaire provides, please visit www.belfairejcb.org
Primary Focus: Clinical Child/Adolescent Psychology
Location: Belfaire JCB

Cleveland Clinic
Rotation: This rotation is through the Cleveland Clinic Children's Rehabilitation Center. Students conduct intake assessments for new headache patients as well as work with patients individually on an outpatient basis. Students also participate in group therapy for adolescents with headache. A secondary component to this rotation is the opportunity to work within the inpatient chronic pain program. This facet to training provides students with an opportunity to attend and provide co-treatment as part of OT/PT sessions and conduct individual Biofeedback sessions with patients on the inpatient floor. Trainees also regularly attend rounds, clinic meetings, school meetings, and meetings with families. For those interested, there has also typically been an opportunity for research at this placement as well.
Primary Focus: Pediatric Psychology
Location: Cleveland Clinic; Cleveland, OH