SERVICES PROVIDED:

Bridgeway Recovery Services (BRS) provides both residential and outpatient treatment services for individuals suffering from symptoms of addiction, as well as co-occurring. BRS is a private, non-profit agency that provides treatment in Salem with support from The Oregon Health Plan (OHP), client fees, insurance, Marion County Sheriff’s Office, along with state and county contracts that support a wide range of treatment services.

Bridgeway provides outpatient treatment for DUII, Marion County Drug Court, Mental Health Co-Occurring Disorders, Problem Gambling, and Substance Abuse. BRS provides residential treatment for adults for Substance Abuse and Problem Gambling, along with chemically dependent Detox.

Treatment interventions are all evidence-based, strength-based, trauma informed, and include Motivational Interviewing coupled with Stages of Change Theory, CBT, Matrix, and Seeking Safety. All include relapse prevention planning, criminal thinking errors, recovery skill building, and smoking cessation information. BRS offers outpatient addictions treatment in both English and Spanish.

ROLE OF THE PRACTICUM STUDENT:

- Assisting with client assignments and TX Planning; learning to collect and document histories and develop TX Plans.
- Observing, participating, co-facilitating group therapy sessions with chemically dependent or co-dependent clients.
- Assisting or delivering lecture-discussions.
- Assisting staff with individual counseling, case staffing, group documentation, and case management.
- Attendance at staff meetings.
REQUIREMENTS OF PRACTICUM STUDENTS:

- If recovering, two year clean and sober including 12-Step involvement.
- Ability to maintain client and staff confidentiality.
- Knowledge and practice of ethical standards working with clientele and employees.
- Demonstration of effective communication skills, both written and oral.
- Two term commitment of at least 16-20 hours per week.
- Not on probation or parole, and have completed all obligations to them (including financial).

EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK:

Bridgeway Recovery Services employees some students as Addictions Treatment Specialists in their residential program who are actively working on their CADC.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIRED

As of April 15, 2011, practicum sites that use the Department of Human Services Background Check Unit will now conduct a weighing test and fitness determination when an individual has been identified as the perpetrator of abuse in certain cases of sexual abuse, physical abuse or financial exploitation. The Background Check Unit will specifically consider the most serious cases of abuse reported and substantiated from January 1, 2010, forward.