SERVICES PROVIDED:

PCL is a community based organization that was formed to meet the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities. PCL provides residential and employment supports to persons with developmental disabilities. It is PCL’s belief that even people with the most severe disabilities can be integrated into positive community settings and that the level of support should reflect individual needs, not convenience to the service provider.

ROLE OF THE PRACTICUM STUDENT:

This practicum is being offered to prepare college students for entry into a career working with people with Developmental Disabilities by providing a thorough understanding of the functions of a nonprofit organization to include theory and practical application of attained knowledge. The goal of this practicum is to establish a foundation for the intern in these key areas:

- Behavior management fundamentals
- Personal development
- Team based relationships including mentorship

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Researching and presenting information related to promoting independence for individuals with Developmental Disabilities and mental health diagnosis.

- Completing interviews of individuals in services and compiling feedback in a report format.
- Attendance at meetings related to developing transitional programs for youth.
- Attend training on advanced behavioral management.
- Other tasks as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must possess a High School Diploma or equivalent
- Must pass a Criminal History Check and finger printing check
- Must be working towards a degree in Psychology, Sociology, Human Services or other related field.

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EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK:

In the event of openings, individuals who are familiar with PCL programs would be given consideration in the regular interview process.

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.

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