

TCM Internship Program at Sustain Health



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DESCRIPTION:

The internship program is divided into 3 phases of 16 weeks each, 1 of which will be a paid internship. The program is designed to allow students and practitioners an opportunity to shadow our chief Chinese Medicine Practitioner in practice to observe and engage clinically with patients and learn additional treatment techniques not covered in standard TCM/Acupuncture Degrees. The completion of the internship program may or may not lead to an official invitation to join the Sustain Health team.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Phase I: TCM/Acupuncture students or recent graduates are eligible. Students must be in last or second last year.

Phase II: TCM/Acupuncture practitioners are eligible; TCM/Acupuncture practitioners are eligible; Must be a registered practitioner with AHPRA (Chinese Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture) and hold at least 4 years degree (BHSc) in Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture.

Phase III: TCM/Acupuncture practitioners are eligible; TCM/Acupuncture practitioners are eligible; Must be a registered practitioner with AHPRA (Chinese Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture) and hold at least 4 years degree (BHSc) in Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture with professional indemnity insurance.

SCHEDULE:

Phase I (80 hours of internship, 5 hours x 16 weeks):

- Preparing/cleaning rooms
- Patient record keeping
- Fill out patient treatment plans
- Assisting with filming
- Going over needle care and herbal medicaments with first-time patients
- 16 written case studies (1 per week)

Phase II (80 hours of internship, 5 hours x 16 weeks):

- Assisting with needling patients
- Assisting with patient communications, rehabilitation, lifestyle and diet where necessary
- Taking new patient case history
- Assisting with treatments to patients during Sustain Health awareness events
- Optional: Dispensary management inc. dispensing and packaging herbs
- (Inc. all tasks from **Phase I**)

Phase III (16 weeks, 72 cases; each treatment is considered 1 case):

- Providing full assessment and treatment at Sustain Health
- (Inc. all tasks from **Phase II**)