

**SHP Student Interns for Research and Scholarly Activities  
Application of Project Proposal Form**

**Instructions:**

Please fill out the form and return via email to Michele Sisco ([mcoral@shp.rutgers.edu](mailto:mcoral@shp.rutgers.edu)) by **March 25, 2024**. **Please fill each box to the right of each required field.** If you are sending attachments, please ensure your contact information is added to all your forms.

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**Project Detail:**

Project Title: (56 characters max)	Social Prescribing Community Development Worker Project Cornwall, UK
Hypothesis:	<i>Social prescribing is a non-medical approach to improving the health and wellbeing of local populations by tackling the wider determinants of health through a range of place-based community support and activities such as social groups, arts/crafts, physical activity, volunteering, environmental conservation/access to green and blue space. A range of delivery models have been observed in Cornwall over several decades, with a recent successful pilot program funded by the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and Public Health Cornwall. Social prescribing relies on an effective referral route and the availability, capacity and funding of community-based activities which will differ according to the type and level of need in local places. This project aims to understand whether community development workers can help create capacity to better support the wider social prescribing program.</i>
Description: (Include design, methodology, data collection, techniques, data analysis to be employed, evaluation and interpretation methodology for research component)	This study will undertake a Literature review on community development and interaction with Social Prescribing link worker. This will be followed by secondary data analyses of information collected during the pilot and the intelligence collected as part of the community engagement.  Data analysis will include statistical measures to identify improvements in mental wellbeing, subgroup analyses

	and thematic analysis of community development worker engagement notes. A detailed report will be written by student. Student will also write research paper for submission in a journal or conference..
Specific Student Responsibilities:	Specific student responsibilities include:  1. Performing comprehensive literature review of both peer-reviewed and published as also white papers around joint working.  2. Analysis of data using SPSS  3. Prepare a manuscript as per an identified journal's requirements. This project requires the student intern to be proficient in Health IT and/or analytics.
Start / end date of project:	May 2024 - August 2024

**Educational**

WHAT OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS? (e.g., journal club, seminars, clinic, rounds)	Research material and other necessary reference/papers will also be made available to the student
WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO PRESENT OR PUBLISH THE FINDINGS WITH THE STUDENT? (e.g., national or state meetings, newsletter or journal, SHP poster day)	SHP Research Day Poster presentation and manuscript submissions to peer-reviewed journals

**CHECK ALL APPROPRIATE BOXES BELOW AND PROVIDE REQUESTED INFORMATION.**

This project is:  clinical  laboratory  behavioral  survey  educational  
 Other: please specify \_\_\_\_\_

This project involves the use of human subjects (including chart review, retrospective studies, and questionnaires).

Pending  Approved  IRB Protocol Number \_\_\_\_\_

**IRB approval must be obtained by June 2024**

3/29/2024

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Signature of Department Chair

Date

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**Reviewed date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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