



A Day in the Life of an Intern

Name: Tara H.

Role: Social Work Intern

Nexus Family Healing Agency:
Nexus-PATH

Educational Program: Master of Social Work
through Western New Mexico University

Responsibilities:

- Learn and observe aspects of administrative processes that impact the overall functioning of the agency
- Directly interact with the Prevention Quality Indicator processes
- Provide feedback and make direct changes in foster parent documentation and training processes

What You Learned: Through my internship, I am learning so much on program overview and the steps needed prior to the implantation process. I have enjoyed being part of big picture conversations with both Nexus-PATH employees as well as our community partners. As a full time Treatment Foster Care worker, I have been able to better appreciate the work that goes into planning for any and all program changes.

Current role and Future Goals: I hope to continue to develop my macro social work skills within Nexus-PATH through various ways. Long term, my goal is to be Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association (EAGALA) certified. This model uses horses for trauma processing and skill building. I hope to use my knowledge of macro work and program development to assist me in developing this service here in the Bismarck area.

“I chose the field of social work because I love the impact the practice makes. I appreciate the versatility that social work has and the opportunities it presents to work in many settings with many different populations. I am grateful that I have been given the opportunity to further my education and even more grateful for the assistance PATH has given me in that.”