### SITE DESCRIPTION

**Setting:** Community Health Centre

**Populations Served:**
- Black women and women of colour from South Asian, African, Caribbean and Latin American communities

**Areas of Focus:**
- Counselling
- Health Promotion

**Primary Models of Care:**
- Feminist
- Pro-choice
- Anti-oppression
- Anti-racist
- Multilingual
- Participatory

### PLACEMENTS OFFERED

- M.Ed. practicum

### SPECIFIC TRAINING OFFERED

- Individual counselling
- Group counselling

### PREFERENCE GIVEN TO STUDENTS WHO:

- Students who are interested in working with Black women and women of colour

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### WEBSITE & APPLICATION INFORMATION

**Website (general):** [http://www.whiwh.com/](http://www.whiwh.com/)

Application information is available on our website.
WOMEN’S HEALTH IN WOMEN’S HANDS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

The mandate of Women’s Health in Women’s Hands Community Health Centre is to provide primary health care and community, mental and clinical health promotion support to Black Women and Women of Colour from the Caribbean, African, Latin American and South Asian communities in Metropolitan Toronto and surrounding municipalities. We are committed to working from an inclusive feminist, pro-choice, anti-racist, anti-oppression, and multilingual participatory framework in addressing the issue of access to healthcare for our mandated priority populations encompassing gender, race, class, violence, sexual orientation, sexual identity, religion, culture, language, disability, immigration status and socio-economic circumstances.

As an ongoing advocate for inclusive and responsive strategies in the delivery of health care, we involve ourselves with a number of collaborative research initiatives as a way to effectively address the particular needs of our priority populations. Using a participatory approach, WHIWH analyzes and identifies barriers in health care delivery and designs resources to improve quality and access. We advocate for women from our priority groups at the local, national and international level to ensure that the issues of women in our priority populations are part of the agenda on women’s rights and gender equity.

As a student learning site, we specialize in providing placements for students from our priority communities to ensure that we can deliver and reach more members of the community through these placements.

The student may be engaged in a variety of activities including working with the Psychotherapists in providing individual and group mental health support and assisting with the delivery of our community based research projects to learn the basics of participatory research (data collection and analysis). She will be encouraged to participate in community outreach strategies, capacity building, partnership development, health education workshop development and delivery, and individual and political advocacy.

We also encourage students to be independent and innovative and to accompany staff to relevant meetings/site visits to help build practical knowledge of community work. We provide students with regular supervision and we are committed to sharing relevant training information through verbal and written communication. We believe that we provide a unique learning experience which provides students with an in-depth knowledge of our unique model of service provision for Black women and women of Colour.