

**IBHC FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION – REFERENCE FORM**

The Interdisciplinary Behavioral Health Collaboration (IBHC) Project includes a central focus to provide comprehensive integrated behavioral healthcare education and training to MSW students completing their final clinical practicum. Supported by a 1.3 million dollar, four year, Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training for Professionals grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), this one-year intensive training fellowship supports the project's goal to enhance the workforce for practice within integrated behavioral health, particularly within medically underserved areas and populations across Central and Western Massachusetts. Additional information is available regarding the IBHC Project on the WSU IBHC website at <http://www.westfield.ma.edu/interdisciplinary-behavioral-health-collaboration>

You have been asked to serve as a reference for a student who is applying for the IBHC Fellowship. This reference is intended for completion by either a student's most recent field instructor or social work supervisor. If you have questions about this reference or would like to discuss this student with a member of the IBHC staff, feel free to e-mail Dr. Nora Padykula at [npadykula@westfield.ma.edu](mailto:npadykula@westfield.ma.edu). Please return this reference form to Linda Silk, by email at [lsilk@westfield.ma.edu](mailto:lsilk@westfield.ma.edu) or fax to 413-579-3122. Your timely response to this request is appreciated.

**Reference is in regard to** (*name of student*) \_\_\_\_\_

**Person Completing Reference:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known this student? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity do you know the student? \_\_\_\_\_

### Student Rating

Please rate the student below by marking an "X" to indicate your level of agreement with each statement. If you do not feel capable of providing a rating in a specific area listed, please mark "N/A". Following the ratings, provide a brief summary of your thoughts regarding the student's leadership ability.

Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral/Aspects of Both Agreement and Disagreement	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A or Not Known
The student is able to collaborate well with people from diverse backgrounds						
The student accepts constructive feedback well						
The student is able to constructively manage stressful interpersonal situations						
The student seeks guidance when attempting to address an issue beyond their competency						
The student is consistently able to complete work within stated deadlines						
The student is trustworthy (e.g. keeps promises, shows up for required meetings, etc.)						

Please provide a brief summary of your thoughts regarding this student's leadership ability, reliability, and your perception of the student's professional potential as a Clinical Social Worker within integrated behavioral health and primary care settings.

**Signature** (electronic signature accepted) \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_