**DATE AGENCY DESCRIPTION UPDATED:** 8/17/14

**NAME OF AGENCY:** Bitterroot Valley Education Cooperative (BVEC)

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**STUDENT PREFERENCE:**  
BSW student []  
MSW student [X]  
Either BSW or MSW []

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**A. BRIEF OVERVIEW OF AGENCY SETTING**

BVEC provides Comprehensive School and Community Treatment (CSCT) mental health services to children ages 6-18 in seven school locations: We serve the following school districts: Florence, Stevensville, Hamilton, Darby, and Victor.

2014-2015 school year site locations for interns are available at Florence and Hamilton School Districts.

**B. DESCRIPTION OF CLIENT GROUP**

Youth with serious emotional disturbance and their families.

**C. LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

This is a clinical setting where direct therapy services are provided. Students will learn to conduct clinical assessments, provide individual, group and family interventions and understand and implement behavioral management strategies in a school setting. This is a team treatment model where school staff, mental health professionals and families work together. Care coordination is a key practice.

**D. EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS**

Knowledge of Cognitive Behavior Therapy, basic assessment and intervention skills good communication and interpersonal skills.