COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER with Emphasis on Behavioral Health
ONLINE COURSE

About the course
Students will acquire skills in outreach, patient navigation, follow-up services, community health education, behavioral health, informal counseling, social support, advocacy, and participation in clinical research.

Who Can Be a CHW?
- Anyone at least 18 years old
- Everyday people who want to make a difference
- High School Diploma or GED required
- Class is limited to 30 students

CHW Bridge to Excellence
- Scholarships available
- 160 hours towards State Certification as a Community Health Worker, plus 30 hours with an emphasis on Mental/Behavioral Health and Substance Use.
- Program is certified by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS).
- Modules will emphasize Behavioral/Mental Health

For More information visit: https://www.westtexasahec.org/BHWET.html

Requirements
- Students are required to sign a letter of commitment if accepted into the course.
- Students are required to complete 20 hours per month of field placement/practicum work (may be completed at your work location, if relevant).
- Computer literacy
- Internet Connection

CHW 8 Core Competencies-
PLUS
- Communication Skills
- Interpersonal Skills
- Service Coordination Skills
- Teaching Skills
- Organizational Skills
- Advocacy
- Capacity-Building
- Knowledge Base
- Mental and Behavioral Health

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