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Dear Sir/Madam:

It has been my pleasure to work with Dr. Gerald Stein at Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center for the past two months. He came to assist us with inpatient ward coverage so that our doctors could take vacation during a time where there were changes occurring in the hospital. Despite his very minimal orientation, he managed our system well. Furthermore, when nonmedical staff approached him to make corrections or adjustments to meet our requirements (eg: documentation), he was receptive to the feedback and addressed the issues immediately. I could not be more pleased with his job performance and his contribution to our medical staff. He has fit in comfortably here and has been so well-received by the ward staff that they regret when he has to move to another ward assignment. He spends quality time with the patients, educates the staff and brings a very calm presence to what is often a chaotic milieu.

We have received very positive feedback from the patients as well which speaks volumes given that most of our patients are in the hospital involuntarily. He has demonstrated competence in providing biopsychosocial treatment for our very complicated patients with serious and persistent mental illness and significant medical problems. He does thorough psychiatric evaluations and has comfortably led the treatment teams in the absence of the attending psychiatrist. He is kind to the patients and staff yet firm when the need arises. He is confident in his decision-making yet receptive to other viewpoints.

In my work with other temporary, covering physicians patient care usually does not move forward in the way it has with Dr. Stein. He has a strong work ethic and truly cares about the patients with his documentation reflecting his efforts. I hope that he will be back to assist us in the future.

Sincerely,

Michelle Gardner, MD  
Medical Director