

City of New York
DEPT. OF HOMELESS SERVICES
Job Vacancy Notice

Civil Service Title: Social Worker	Level: N/A
Title Code No: 52613	Salary: \$47,549.00/\$54,681.00 -\$67,604.00 Frequency: ANNUAL
Office Title: Social Worker	Work location: 33 Beaver Street MANHATTAN, NY 10004
Division/Work Unit: Family Services/Deputy Commissioner for Family Programs	Number of Positions: 1
Hours/Shift: Mon.-Fri.: 9:00am-5:00pm	Agency Tracking #: 3249 POSITION#: 3778

Job Description

The NYC Department of Homeless Services (DHS) seeks 1 licensed master's level Social Worker as part of the Clinical Services Unit to work within the Division of Family Services / Office of Strategic Planning.

Under the direction of the Director of Clinical Services, Clinical Services Unit Social Workers will coordinate with the Division of Family Services and shelter providers through Team Conferencing, clinical assessment and intervention through completion of a comprehensive biopsychosocial assessment, as well as coaching, consultation, and training to support families in shelter with the goal of providing a safe, healthy and supportive environment for themselves and their children.

With families, Clinical Services Unit Social Workers will identify service planning, interventions and strategies to assist the family in desired outcomes and expectations for the parents and children.

This position require extensive field work, and Social Workers will be expected to meet with families in their shelter units.

Under general supervision and with wide latitude for independent action Clinical Services Unit Social Workers will function in the following capacity:

- Interview children and parents in shelter to complete an assessment and to determine an appropriate plan of action;
- Prepare children and parents to accept services;
- Make referrals, when appropriate, to governmental or not-for-profit agencies;
- Provide direct counseling services and/or outreach services; make referrals to other public agencies or community resources as needed;
- Confer and consult with professional and technical personnel in implementing a multidisciplinary approach to client care and well-being;
- Serve as agency/program liaison to community agencies and/or groups;
- Provide clear written reports that capture family assessment findings and recommendations;
- Complete all documentation in a timely manner;
- Prioritize and visit the highest risk families who are in shelter to coordinate safety planning efforts in these households;
- Provide training, consultation, and coaching to shelter-based social work staff; and,

Conduct immediate shelter visits to meet with clients at locations where DHS has assessed the highest need.

Qualification Requirements

A Master's Degree in Social Work from an accredited school of social work.

License Requirements:

•A valid New York State license in Social Work (LMSW) or Clinical Social Work (LCSW). An LMSW must be obtained within one year of the date of appointment.

Employees who fail to obtain their LMSW within one year after appointment will automatically have their probationary periods extended for no more than six months. Failure to obtain the LMSW by the end of 18 months of service will result in dismissal.

Preferred Skills

- Strong clinical skills and training in or knowledge of evidence-based practices;
- Knowledge of child and adolescent development; emotional/behavioral health; mental health; parent-child relationships/family dynamics; trauma; and diagnostic classification;
- Bilingual in English and Spanish candidates are strongly preferred;
- Expertise in strengths-based, solution-focused, and family-centered practice;
- Knowledge of guidelines, policies and regulations relating to child welfare, safety, permanency and well-being;
- Knowledge and experience working with diverse cultures and ethnicities;
- Strong ability to write clearly and succinctly, using a clinical lens, and without grammatical errors is strongly preferred; and
- Strong verbal communication and presentation skills.

Residency Requirement

New York City residency is generally required within 90 days of appointment. However, City Employees in certain titles who have worked for the City for 2 continuous years may also be eligible to reside in Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Westchester, Rockland, or Orange County. To determine if the residency requirement applies to you, please discuss with the agency representative at the time of interview.

To Apply:

For City Employees, please go to Employee Self Service (ESS), click on Recruiting Activities/Careers.

For all other applicants, please go to the [NYC Careers website](#).

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