CIVIL SERVICE TITLE: Senior Mental Health Worker

TITLE CODE NO.: 51263

OFFICE TITLE: Clinical Advisor

SALARY: $35,580 - $47,719

DIVISION/WORK UNIT: Behavioral Health Services Unit

WORK LOCATION: Citywide

HOURS: 35

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 2

Funded position subject to annual renewal

JOB DESCRIPTION

The NYC Department of Probation (DOP) is a world leader in working creatively and effectively engaging with people under court-mandated community supervision. Through innovative partnerships with people and organizations throughout the New York City, DOP provides opportunities for those on probation to access services and opportunities that positively impact their life trajectory. Following the best current data on “what works,” staff at DOP engage in meaningful relationships with those on probation in an effort to enhance community safety and decrease recidivism.

The probation Clinical Advisor will perform basic behavioral health needs related tasks associated with youth in the juvenile justice system. These include but are not limited to:

- Assisting DOP staff in screening and assessing the behavioral health needs of clients.
- Engaging and assisting clients and their families to help address behavioral health needs.
- Developing appropriate community-based service plans.
- Assisting clients and families with referrals to both clinical and concrete services.
- Participating in case conferences and subsequent team meetings on assigned cases, as appropriate.
- Providing crisis intervention when necessary, and assessing family system for risk.
- Providing in-house training on behavioral health needs in the context of community corrections.
- Identifying, creating and maintaining relationships with outside agency treatment providers.
- Assisting probation officers with dispositional recommendations for clients with behavioral health needs.
- Performing basic accountability tasks related to the job, which include compiling and maintaining necessary records.
- Meeting regularly with DOP staff to ensure that the needs of the borough/unit are being met.

PREFERRED SKILLS

- Preferred requirements are LCMSW, MSW or MA in social work, mental health counseling, marriage and family therapy or related field.
- Experience working with adolescents and families in a child welfare, mental health or juvenile justice setting. Candidates with juvenile justice experience and/or trauma-related services are preferred.
- Ability to work with culturally diverse population.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Excellent problem-solving and organizational skills.
- Ability to meet time frames, and ensure that services are provided in timely and professional manner.
- Ability to work independently, as well as contribute to team.
QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. An associate degree or 60 credits from an accredited college, including or supplemented by 12 credits in psychology, sociology, anthropology or related disciplines including a course involving supervised field work in a community mental health or related setting, plus one year of full-time paid experience in mental health intake, counseling or therapy, or in teaching basic mental health skills to families of developmentally disabled or emotionally disturbed individuals. or in providing mental health educational or liaison services to agency, client and community; or
2. A four-year high school diploma or its educational equivalent approved by a State’s department of education or a recognized accrediting organization, and two years of full-time experience as described in “1” above; or
3. A satisfactory equivalent combination of education and experience.

However, all candidates must possess a four-year high school diploma or its educational equivalent as described in “2” above, and must possess at least one year of full-time paid experience as described in “1” above.

Residency Requirement:
New York City residency requirement is not required for this position. However, you must reside in New York State.

APPOINTMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (OMB) APPROVAL

TO APPLY, PLEASE SUBMIT RESUME, COVER LETTER

TO: External Applicants: https://a127-jobs.nyc.gov/

Internal Applicants: Employee Self Service (ESS)

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION IS NOT A GUARANTEE THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE AN INTERVIEW

POST DATE: 10/06/2021  POST UNTIL: Until Filled  JVN #:781-22-025

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Note: Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLFP). The federal government provides student loan forgiveness through its Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF) to all qualifying public service employees. Working with the DOP qualifies you as a public service employee and you may be able to take advantage of this program while working full-time and meeting the program’s other requirements. Please visit the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program site to view the eligibility requirements:


"As of August 2, 2021, all new hires must be vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus, unless they have been granted a reasonable accommodation for religion or disability. If you are offered city employment, this requirement must be met by your date of hire, unless a reasonable accommodation for exemption is received and approved by the hiring agency."