

Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Connecticut Mental Health Center
JOB OPPORTUNITY
Clinical Social Worker - PN# CM 26552

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Open To: State Employee/Public

Location: 34 Park Street, New Haven, CT 06519

Program/Unit: Law & Psychiatry

Salary: Salary Range as of July 1, 2014 - \$61,971.00 to \$83,747.00

Shift/Schedule/Hours: 1st Shift/Monday through Friday: 8:30 AM-4:00 PM

Posting Date: Wednesday June 25, 2014

Closing Date: Tuesday July 1, 2014

Duties may include but not limited to: Will conduct evaluations of persons arrested, formulate a treatment and referral plan and follow the client through the legal disposition of the case. Act as liaison with treating clinicians and referral services, presentation of the case in the court and to officers of the court, DOC, CVH and CMHC, area emergency rooms and YPI. Follow up with probation, CSSD, parole, CVH, and other clinicians and treatment facilities and residential services; preparation and presentation of progress reports at two week intervals, entry of information into the data systems, preparation of annual reports, attendance at state wide diversion meetings, liaison with the New Haven Court Clinic and with CVH on competency to stand trial orders and restoration reports, follow up on veteran diversion when DMHAS is involved, initial risk screening through standard risk assessment tools, writing of Emergency Certificates for immediate evaluations at the area ED, coordination of treatment plans with treating clinicians, consultation with family members, DOC, and community services to provide collateral for treatment planning and referral. Evaluations are conducted in lock-up, the courthouse, and police station as needed. Monitoring of confidentiality and HIPAA requirements to protect boundaries and confidentiality is an essential requirement of the work. Morning round with the bail commissioner, public defender office, and police identifies the clients who need immediate evaluation which must be completed before arraignment. Presence in the courtroom at arraignment is required. Management of continuances and coordination of services with DOC and DMHAS are required for clients who cannot be immediately diverted. Coordination with Veterans Administration services is also required for clients who are veterans but who choose treatment via DMHAS. Evaluation of clients with private attorneys and who receive services outside DMHAS is also required. This position requires strong English and grammar skills, knowledge of the CT legal system, boundary management, and effective negotiating skills. The LCSW will write emergency certificates when required for the court and for police lockup, assess clients prior to arraignment in preparation of presenting a comprehensive treatment plan for diversion to be used at the court's discretion, request and justify continuances in order to secure additional information and secure appropriate level of care, organize with CVH a rapid restoration option for appropriate clients, make DOC referrals, divert Veterans in collaboration with the VA clinician and West Haven VA Medical Center. The LCSW is required to know and apply Connecticut General Statutes pertaining to jail diversion, confidentiality, CST assessments and restoration, forensic rehabilitation options. The LCSW will facilitate planning for Competency to stand trial evaluations, placement with CVH and will coordinate the Rapid Restoration Option for CST evaluations. The clinician will use standard risk assessment tools including those for sexual offenders and DSM IV and V diagnoses to formulate treatment plans and make referrals. The clinician is required to refer to and follow-up with residential placements, CSSD placements, CREST, Sierra, Project Moore AIC, and Jail Re-entry placements. The LCSW will present formulations in court and will communicate with all courtroom personnel in writing and oral presentations within the requirements of confidentiality statutes and HIPAA regulations and with regard to Tarasoff duties.

General Experience: Licensure as a clinical social worker in the State of Connecticut.

Special Requirement: Must possess, retain, and carry valid Connecticut Drivers License. Travel in the community is required. Incumbents in this class must possess and retain a license to practice clinical social work pursuant to Sec. 20-195 (m) through (r) of the Connecticut General Statutes. Incumbents must pass a Department of Corrections background check. Possess Emergency Certification.

Eligibility Requirement: State employees currently holding the above title or those who have previously attained permanent status or candidates who possess the general and special experience and training may apply.

Note: Applicants will be selected in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion, collective bargaining unit contract language, merit employment lists and DMHAS affirmative action goals. Therefore, State employees will generally be considered before applicants from outside State service.

Application Instructions: DMHAS employees who are lateral transfer candidates (example: CSW applying to a CSW posting) must submit a completed DMHAS Lateral Transfer Form. Lateral Transfer Request Forms received without a position number will not be processed. DMHAS employees who are promotional/demotional candidates must submit the State of Connecticut Application for Examination and Employment (CT-HR-12). http://das.ct.gov/HR/Forms/CT-HR-12_Application.pdf

The position number must be noted at the bottom of Page One of the State of Connecticut Application (CT-HR-12). All other applicants must complete a State Employment Application for Examination and Employment (CT-HR-12). Resumes and Curriculum Vitae can be provided as supplemental information but will only be accepted if attached to a fully completed application.

PLEASE SEND APPLICATIONS TO:

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