

JOB POSTING

**Connecticut Mental Health Center
Clinical Social Worker Associate – PN# CM88770**

PLEASE NOTE: The location, fax number and e-mail information to send responses to postings has changed. Responses to postings must be sent to the facility where the vacancy exists; therefore, it is important to follow the specific application instructions at the bottom of this posting.

Location: 34 Park Street, New Haven, CT 06519
Program/Unit: Community Forensic Services
Shift/Schedule/Hours: 1st Shift / Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM / Full Time 35 Hours weekly
Salary: Salary Range as of July 1, 2014 - \$65,027.00 to \$87,698.00
Posting Date: Wednesday June 25, 2014 **Closing Date:** Tuesday July 1, 2014

Duties may include but not limited to: Will work as a member of a multi-disciplinary community forensic team, collaborating with other community and state agencies to provide mental health services and expertise to clients with serious mental illnesses and co-occurring substance abuse disorders who are involved with the criminal justice system. Accountable for highly skilled, direct clinical treatment and supervision to high risk adults with complex behavioral health, medical, legal and social needs. Will independently conduct comprehensive clinical evaluations, diagnostic formulations and risk assessments through interviews and in collaboration with psychiatrist. Assessments will include comprehensive consideration of developmental, social and cultural factors, substance use, psychological, environmental and medical issues. Will engage clients, families and other supports to develop a recovery-oriented treatment plan with measureable goals and objectives, done in collaboration with criminal justice system and other community providers. Will monitor the effectiveness of treatment plans, develop crisis response plans and manage crises as needed. Will provide individual, family and group treatment. Will possess competence in evidence-based practices, including but not limited to, Motivational Interviewing, Integrated Dual Diagnosis Treatment, Illness Management and Recovery, and Dialectical Behavior Therapy. Will initiate consultation and collaboration of other behavioral health and community service providers to improve and coordinate delivery of services to clients and to identify un-met needs within the current service system. Will document treatment in clinical records and complete clinical reports in compliance with agency and accrediting bodies. Will provide expert court testimony as required.

Will provide clinical services for clients in the Sierra Pre-Trial Residential Center, a 23 bed alternative to incarceration with a 3 to 6 month length of stay. Will participate in interagency meetings and weekly Sierra clinical team meetings. Will collaborate in interagency screening of state-wide referrals; traveling to DOC facilities to assess clients as indicated. Will perform and supervise evaluations and ongoing direct clinical treatment. Will coordinate medication, nursing care and medical services with other community providers and Sierra Pre-Trial staff. Will collaborate in the development of discharge plans with providers across CT; will facilitate referrals to LMHA, other providers for residential, medical and behavioral health care services as indicated, in conjunction with criminal justice agents and families. Will provide triage, manage crises and provide clinical coverage for team members. Will provide and supervise CMHC clinical services for CREST, CORP, DOC/DMHAS referrals and CVH PSRB clients. May facilitate team's clinical rounds and represent team in CMHC and DMHAS clinical and administrative meetings. May provide field work instruction and/or clinical supervision to clinical staff of a lower grade. May provide clinical coverage for other CMHC forensic programs. May chair or participate in facility or community-based committees that develop policies and plans related to the service-delivery system. May provide in-service educational presentations concerning a range of behavioral health and criminal justice topics. Will maintain social work treatment and standards as required; Preferred candidates will have substantial clinical experience in an adult behavioral health setting, working with high risk clients in the community perform related duties as required.

General Experience: One year of experience as a licensed clinical social worker.

Special Experience and Training: Must possess and retain a current motor vehicle operator's license. Travel 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.

Special Requirements: Successful completion of a Department of Corrections background clearance/compliance check.

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:

Due to the large number of lateral transfer forms and applications received, it is extremely important to note the **Position Number (found on the posting)** on the DMHAS Lateral Transfer Request Form (**upper right-hand corner**) and at the bottom of Page One of the State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (CT-HR-12)

To be considered for this position:

1. **DMHAS employees who are lateral transfer candidates** (example: CSWA applying to a CSWA posting) must submit a completed DMHAS Lateral Transfer Form. Lateral Transfer Request Forms received without a position number will not be processed
2. **DMHAS employees who are promotional/demotional candidates** must submit the State of Connecticut Application for Examination and Employment (CT-HR-12). The position number must be noted at the bottom of Page One of the State of Connecticut Application (CT-HR-12).
3. **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:
DMHAS – Connecticut Mental Health Center
34 Park Street, New Haven, CT 06519
Email: donna.zwilling@ct.gov
Fax (203) 974-7637

The DMHAS Lateral Transfer Request Form, State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (CT-HR-12) and postings can be found on the DMHAS website at <http://www.das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=27>

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