

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTION SERVICES
JOB OPPORTUNITY

CERTIFIED ADDICTION COUNSELOR

Office of the Commissioner – Veteran Affairs

PLEASE FOLLOW THE SPECIFIC APPLICATION FILING INSTRUCTIONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE!

Open To: The Public
Location: 287 West Street, Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Job Posting No: #OC89126
Hours: Monday, Tuesday and Friday: 8:30am to 4:00pm,
Wednesday and Thursday: 12:00 pm – 7:30 pm, Full time/35 hours per week
Salary Range: \$54,269.00 - \$71,778.00
Posting Date: September 14, 2015 **Closing Date:** September 21, 2015

Eligibility Requirement: State employees currently holding the above title or those who have previously attained permanent status may apply.

Duties may include but not limited to: Provides individual counseling services to alcohol and drug dependent clients; Facilitates group counseling services to alcohol and drug dependent clients; Responsible for collection of random urines for drug/alcohol screening; Conducts Admission substance abuse (SA) prescreens as well as initial substance abuse intake assessments with Level of Service referrals for all new admissions to the Residential Service at the Department of Veteran's Affairs (DVA); Conducts SA assessments for all Veterans residing in the Residential/Domicile area and the Health Care Center (HCC) of the DVA who incur SA-related incidents and make treatment recommendations as part of their assessments; Attend regular weekly treatment team meetings; Develop and implement treatment plans on each client; Crisis intervention services provided in cases of emotional and/or physical distress; Maintain confidential and HIPPA compliant reports and records of client data; Consults and collaborates with other Agency service providers to assure comprehensive and integrated care; Consults with community service providers for collaborative and follow-up services as needed; Case management activities to include discharge planning; Makes referrals to outside or other programs for medical and/or psychological intervention; Supervision of substance disorder treatment volunteers and interns in the treatment milieu; May escort clients.

General Experience: Certification from the Connecticut Department of Public Health as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor and three (3) years of experience involving risk reduction education and counseling to assist alcohol and drug dependent individuals.

Substitution Allowed: 1). Licensure from the Connecticut Department of Public Health as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor may be substituted for the General Experience. 2). for state employees three (3) years as a Certified Addiction Counselor Trainee may be substituted for the General Experience.

Special Requirements: Incumbents in this class must retain the certification and/or licensure outlined above; Individuals recovering from addiction to alcohol or drugs are required to have two (2) years of substance free time to be considered for a position in a substance abuse program; Incumbents in this class may be required to travel and is required to possess and retain a valid driver's license

Note: The filling of this position will be in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion and merit employment rules, if applicable.

To be considered for this position:

1. DMHAS employees who are lateral transfer candidates (example: Certified Addiction Counselor applying to a Certified Addiction Counselor 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 APPLICATION TO:

DMHAS/Office of the Commissioner

**Human Resources
410 Capitol Avenue, 4th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106
Fax: (860) 418-6697
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