

Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Southwest Connecticut Mental Health System
JOB OPPORTUNITY

Principal Psychiatrist – SW26979

Bilingual English and Spanish

Medical Services – Diagnostic and Evaluations Center (DEC)

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Open To: State Employees

Location: Greater Bridgeport Community Mental Health Center, 1635 Central Ave, Bridgeport CT

Program/Unit: Medical Services – Diagnostic and Evaluations Center (DEC)

Salary: \$ \$168,798 - \$207,749

Shift/Schedule/Hours: 1st shift, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, 40 hours per week

Posting Date: October 31, 2013

Closing Date: November 7, 2013

Duties may include but not limited to: Work as a member of the clinical leadership team in the Diagnostic and Evaluation Center (DEC) which is responsible for evaluating and briefly treating newly admitted outpatients with psychiatric and substance abuse disorders to the Greater Bridgeport Community Mental Health Center. Perform psychiatric evaluations and crisis intervention with DEC clients, prescribes appropriate medications and other biologic and psychosocial treatments for patients in the DEC; consults with DEC staff about clinical matters including clients seen in the emergency department of local hospitals or in the community, participate in clinical case conferences and offer continuing education to DEC staff, offer second opinions on cases from other units, participate in community educational activities at the request of DEC leadership, work collaboratively with other clinical units, perform all necessary documentation in the medical record, serve on center-wide committees at the request of the medical director. Voluntary on-call coverage and weekend coverage is available at additional reimbursement. Chairs rounds and provides direct care and clinical oversight of multi-disciplinary treatment team in the DEC; coordinates work of medical staff with related programs; reviews treatment plans, clinical records, diagnoses, and patient discharge plans for adherence to policies and Joint Commission Standards in the DEC. Provides education and training as indicated, e.g. grand rounds and case conferences; assigns, oversees and evaluates work of staff. Participates in meetings on clinical and administrative policy research programs, clinical program development and treatment techniques; performs advanced level risk assessments; consults on difficult and/or complex cases; develops and implements quality improvement initiatives in the DEC; prepares and/or reviews reports, medical records and correspondence; performs utilization review and management functions; attends court hearings as a state witness; performs related duties as required.

General Experience and Training: Incumbents in this class must possess and retain certification as a specialist in psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

Special Requirement: Incumbents in this class must possess and retain a license to practice medicine and surgery in Connecticut. A temporary license may be granted for a period not to exceed one (1) year. **Must be bilingual in English and Spanish.**

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: Principal Psychiatrist applying to a Principal Psychiatrist 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). 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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The State of Connecticut and the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services are equal opportunity/affirmative action employers. Women, minorities and persons with disabilities and in recovery are encouraged to apply.