

Department of Veterans' Affairs  
JOB OPPORTUNITY  
Rehabilitation Therapist 1 (Therapeutic Recreation)

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**Open To:** Candidates on a current examination list

**Location:** Rocky Hill Veterans Healthcare Facility, 287 West St., Rocky Hill, CT 06067

**Job Posting No:** 3116

**Hours:** 35 hour work week. Hours may vary with program needs (evenings may need coverage at times), and Saturday rotation monthly

**Salary:** HC-19 \$1,820.35 biweekly

**Closing Date:** December 17, 2014

**Eligibility Requirement:** Candidates must have applied for and passed the Rehabilitation Therapist 1 (Therapeutic Recreation) exam and be on the current certification list promulgated by the Department of Administrative Services for this classification. State employees currently holding the above title or those who have previously attained permanent status may apply for lateral transfer. **Applicants will not have the opportunity to take the exam prior to the above closing date to qualify for this particular vacancy.**

**EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:**

Evaluates client and/or patient level of functioning by assessing behavior and reviewing medical, social and emotional case histories; writes and implements treatment plans using a specific modality; conducts individual and group activities, consulting with other professionals and selecting appropriate techniques and materials to teach skills to correct disorders in mental, emotional or motor status of a client and/or patient; attends case conferences, actively participating in admission, treatment and discharge planning; observes, records and evaluates client and/or patient progress; participates in or assists in conducting training programs for staff therapists and rehabilitation and nursing students; uses data from observation and diagnostic evaluations to develop goals and new activities; administers and interprets evaluations in speciality areas; requisitions and distributes supplies; adapts musical, art and recreational equipment used in designated discipline; may attend workshops and conferences; may transport and escort clients to off grounds activities; may perform prevocational activities with client and/or patient; may participate in and plan special activities within community; may perform duties in client and/or patient home or community setting; may serve as a Qualified Mental Retardation Professional; performs related duties as required.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED  
KNOWLEDGE, SKILL AND ABILITY:**

Knowledge of principles and practices of a designated therapeutic discipline; knowledge of physical, mental and psychosocial disorders; knowledge of individual and group dynamics; considerable interpersonal skills; oral and written communication skills; skill in application of therapeutic techniques.

**EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:**

**General Experience:**

Four (4) years of professional experience in the appropriate professional rehabilitation therapy program speciality performing such activities as program evaluation, planning and application for persons with mental, emotional and physical disabilities.

**Substitution Allowed:**

College training in the appropriate recognized therapeutic discipline indicated by the parenthetical title may be substituted for the General Experience on the basis of fifteen (15) semester hours equalling one-half (1/2) year of experience to a maximum of four (4) years for a Bachelor's degree.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Incumbents in this class may be required to possess and maintain a certificate as a Water Safety Instructor (W.S.I.), and/or life saving (CPR, First Aid) from the American Red Cross.
2. Incumbents in this class may be required to be fluent in a foreign language or proficient in use of American sign language in certain positions.
3. Incumbents in this class may be required to travel.

**WORKING CONDITIONS:**

Incumbents in this class may be exposed to some danger of injury and to moderately disagreeable job conditions while providing treatment to persons with disabilities.

**Application Instructions:** Interested and qualified candidates who meet the above requirements should submit a cover letter, a resume, and an Application for Employment CT-HR-12 (State employees should submit a copy of their last two performance appraisals) to:

**Department of Veterans' Affairs  
Human Resources  
287 West Street  
Rocky Hill, CT 06067  
FAX NUMBER 860-616-3536**

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