

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTION SERVICES

JOB OPPORTUNITY
SUPERVISING CLINICIAN

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Open To: The Public
Location: River Valley Services – Community Acute Services Program (C.A.S.P.) Respite Unit – Middletown, CT
Job Posting No: RV-93284
Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. / 35 hours per week
Salary: \$77,241 Annually
Closing Date: October 15, 2012

Duties may include but not limited to: Supervisor of the crisis stabilization unit as well as supervisor of the nurses in the Mobile Crisis Unit. This position will provide behavioral health nursing services within River Valley Services' Community Acute Services Program (CASP). This position will oversee the quality of recovery oriented mental health services within the CASP Crisis Stabilization Unit. The RN will conduct mental status evaluations, admission health screenings, and pre-crisis assessments for Respite clients and will work in close collaboration with the CASP Mobile Crisis Team. The incumbent will implement a client medication self-administration protocol, including client medication education and medication system monitoring. The RN will coordinate crisis stabilization treatment planning and implementation, serving as the primary liaison between Respite and community-based treatment teams both within and outside of RVS to ensure integrated care for shared clients. The incumbent will conduct screening evaluations of hospitalized patients to promote successful step-downs to Respite level of care. Will function as a member of the CASP clinical leadership; will perform line staff duties, as needed. The position incumbent will provide consultation, education, direction, guidance and direct supervision to Respite staff in individual and group modes, and direct supervision to CASP nurses. The incumbent will formally evaluate staff performance. The RN may serve on facility committees with particular responsibility toward contributing to policy and procedure development related to physical health and psychiatric medication issues. This position also oversees the organization and safety of the CASP Medication Room, assuring that Agency, State and Federal policies are followed. This position reports to the CASP Director.

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

General Experience: Seven (7) years of professional health care experience in a psychiatric setting.

Special Experience: Two (2) years of the General Experience must have been at a lead level responsible for coordinating the work of a unit or team of professionals in a psychiatric setting. **Note:** For State Employees the lead level is interpreted at the level of a Head Nurse for the nursing discipline.

Special Requirement: Must possess and retain a current Connecticut license as a Registered Nurse. Incumbents in this class may be required to travel.

Working Conditions: Incumbents in this class may be required to lift and restrain clients, may have significant exposure to communicable and/or infectious diseases and risk of injury and may be exposed to strongly disagreeable conditions.

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

Application Instructions: Interested and qualified candidates who meet the above requirements should submit a cover letter, a resume, and an Application for Employment to:

Patricia H. Guire, Human Resource Associate
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