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### \*\*\*FOCUS AREA\*\*\*

Agency leadership has determined that this position meets Criteria 4: Assignment requires regular engagement with other uniformed services.

### \*\*\*POSITION TITLE\*\*\*

Clinical Social Worker (0-4, Non-Supervisory) or Psychologist (O-5, Non-Supervisory)

### \*\*\*LOCATION DESCRIPTION\*\*\*

This position is located at Winn Army Community Hospital

On January 1, 1983, a newly constructed hospital was built under the Savannah District Corps of Engineers. The modern four-story structure replaced the World War II cluster of about 70 one-story temporary wood buildings interconnected by ramps and corridors. The four-story main unit was designed so a fifth floor could be added in the future. The hospital also included a one-story outpatient clinic, a one-story light care facility with 30 of 165 beds, a logistics warehouse support building and an energy support facility.

The dedication of Winn Army Community Hospital in honor of Brigadier General Dean Flewellynn Winn, Sr., M.D., a native Georgian, was conducted on May 20, 1983.

With the move and transition to the new hospital accomplished smoothly, the focus was directed to improvement of health care in other areas. In 1983 the services provided to the Hunter Army Airfield community by Tuttle Army Health Clinic also significantly expanded. A well-baby and pediatric clinics and acute ambulatory patient care clinic were established.

Building on MEDDAC's guarantee of providing quality health care to out patient population, several innovative health care initiatives were implemented. A full-time diagnostic radiologist contract was awarded in September 1987 and a contract mobile CAT scan unit began servicing Winn Army Community Hospital in October 1987.

By the end of 1990, our efforts were concentrated on planning for receiving casualties from Operation Desert Storm. We were designated as a secondary receiving center for casualties and began planning to support and expanded in-patient load. We captured additional buildings on post into which we moved services such as Preventive Medicine, Occupational Health, Industrial Hygiene, and the Brace Shop, allowing us the space for an additional number of new beds.

With the end of the ground war, our attention now turned to the returning troops. We spent the earlier part of the year medically out processing troops who had returned from the Persian Gulf, returning active duty personnel to their former positions, and reserve and temporary duty backfill personnel to their pre-deployment status. Despite part our staff being dedicated to the tremendous job of out processing 15,000 personnel, we still provided quality care for our patients.

Fast forward 22 years, on January 23, 2012, Winn Army Community Hospital began a two-part expansion project. The two-story, 65,000 square-foot addition is located on the northwest side of the existing facility, adjacent to the outpatient clinic entrance. The first floor houses

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musculoskeletal functions including: Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Orthopedics and Podiatry. The second floor includes the Behavioral Health Clinic and Social Work Services.

The combined North Troop Medical Clinic and Dental Clinic Six opened on June 20, 2012. The 39,338 square-foot facility provides medical and dental services to approximately 7,900 active-duty soldiers. In addition to primary outpatient care and dental services, the combined North TMC/ Dental Clinic Six also include behavioral health care, optometry, physical therapy, a pharmacy, a laboratory and radiological services.

\*\*\*CLOSING DATE\*\*\*

**Open until filled**

\*\*\* JOB DESCRIPTION\*\*\*

Specific duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

Serves as a Clinical Social Worker for the Department of Behavioral Health.

Must have experience in the treatment of a variation of complex psychological dysfunction / full spectrum of psychiatric diagnoses. Evaluates, observes and treats patients exhibiting significant social and emotional problems affecting their behavioral health and wellbeing.

Provides direct care to include individual and group psychotherapy, training, consultation and other services typically provided by a clinical social worker.

Instructs/counsels patients and families in treating and coping with social and emotional responses connected with behavioral health diagnoses.

Assists other health team members in understanding the significant social and emotional factors impacting the patient's behavioral health. Provides clinical consultation to leaders. Participates in development and periodic re-evaluation of treatment plans.

Utilizes special skills and judgment to resolve social and emotional responses connected with behavioral health diagnosis.

Observes, records and reports changes in patients' condition and response to treatment in accordance with DoD, Department of the Army, US Army Medical Command and JCAHO regulations and policies.

Participates in the discharge planning process and provides ongoing assessment of patient and family needs and responses to teaching coping skills.

Participates in care coordination activities and acts as a resource to other health team members in the identification and resolution of patient needs.

Utilizes appropriate community resources to achieve identified objectives.

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Attends, participates in and/or conducts internal staff development programs, obtains continuing education as required by state licensing and Department of Army and US Army MEDCOM regulations and policies.

Maintains the highest standards of Professional conduct in relation to information that is confidential in nature. Shares information only when recipient's right to access is clearly established and the sharing of such information is in the best interest of the patient.

Participates in Performance Improvement activities as assigned. Communicates information that enables data collection and root cause analysis to identify opportunities for improvement.

Adheres to and participates in mandatory HIPAA privacy program/practices and Business Ethics and Compliance programs/practices.

Participates in special projects/performs other duties as assigned. Requires ongoing compliance with current OTSG/MEDOM policy on productivity standards for patient care.

NO Clearance Required

### CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

PHS social worker in good professional standing with a Master's Degree from a school of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

An active independent clinical social work license to practice in the United States or District of Columbia.

Experience working for the DoD/Army is preferred.

### \*\*\*CONTACT INFORMATION\*\*\*

Interested USPHS Commissioned Corps officers should forward a CV with cover letter, last 3 COERs, a letter of recommendation from current rater/supervisor or senior rater, and a copy of professional license to CDR Jena Vedder, [Jennifer.a.vedder.mil@mail.mil](mailto:Jennifer.a.vedder.mil@mail.mil)