Job Title: Clinical Psychologist: Directorate for Mental Health, Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune, NC (03 to 05 billet)

Job Description: This position is located within the Directorate for Mental Health, Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune, NC. The majority of the populations served are young active duty Marines and Sailors with significant risk factors, such as, impulsive behaviors that may be destructive to themselves and others, lack of support systems, high and unfamiliar stressors with poor coping skills and substance abuse. The clinic provides a multi-disciplinary therapeutic approach to providing mental health services to include individual and group therapy, family and couples counseling and educational sessions. Treatment involves a wide range of mental health diagnoses and many of the patients have a dual diagnosis associated with traumatic brain injury and alcohol and drug abuse.

The incumbent will be directly responsible to the Department Head and the Director for Mental Health. This is a full time position.

The services provided will be commensurate with the highest standards of quality patient care and in accordance with the quality assurance standards of the Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, NC. This position requires that the incumbent adhere to maintaining confidentiality of patient records.

Major Duties:

a. Provide diagnosis and psychotherapy within the scope of practice of clinical psychology and at the level of professional maturity for the full range of patients. Exercises full professional responsibility for findings, interpretations, decisions, recommendations and reports.

b. Performs psychological assessments, diagnostic and treatment recommendations. Participates in developing treatment programs and advises staff and operating officials on professional aspects of field.

c. Performs clinical psychological evaluations and interventions with both outpatients and inpatients; administer and interpret psychodiagnostic tests; provide mission essential forensic psychological evaluations; and conduct individual, group, family, and marital psychotherapy. Provide evaluations to screen for comorbid mental health conditions in patients suffering from traumatic brain injury, and provide mental health treatment as indicated.

d. Provides consultation services to psychiatric, medical, and surgical patients when requested by the patient’s primary physician.

e. Must keep abreast of new concepts and techniques in field, apply them as appropriate, and train others in techniques, as appropriate.

f. Participates in treatment planning/case review meetings, administrative staff meetings, and develops and maintains liaison with appropriate military and community agencies and resources.
g. Contributes to preventive mental health and the personal growth of the patient population by presenting lectures on psychological topics.

h. Responsible for the custody and maintenance of all therapy notes.

i. The incumbent will also provide other clinically and administratively related duties as assigned.

j. Fulfill leadership positions within the Directorate as needed.

(At minimum 51% of the officer’s time will be in clinical mental health work.)

Requirements:

License: A current, unrestricted, and valid license as a clinical psychologist from a U.S. State, District of Columbia, Commonwealth, Territory, or other jurisdiction is required.

Training: The candidate must possess a qualifying doctoral degree in clinical or counseling psychology from an American Psychological Association (APA) accredited university or professional psychology program.

Shall have completed an APA accredited internship/residency in clinical psychology.

The incumbent must have at least two (2) years of full-time professional experience as a clinical or counseling psychologist.

Maintains continuing education, certification in BLS for Credentialing.

Knowledge of psychological assessment, evaluation, and treatment of patients with problems of personality, emotional, adjustment disorders, or mental illness.

Knowledge of acceptable psychotherapy techniques for individual, group, marital, and family therapy to ensure maximum effectiveness of treatment process.

Demonstrated competency in speaking and writing skills, and the ability to collaborate harmoniously with commands, medical, legal, and social agencies and personnel.

Knowledge of models of clinical supervision necessary to enhance the professional skills of the treatment staff and to provide guidance in treatment planning.

Familiarity with laws specific to child and spouse abuse and rape is imperative, as well as technical knowledge of conditions of abuse and factors in causation and treatment.

Ability to become fully knowledgeable of the available resources in both the local military and the civilian communities.

This position is for a minimum 3 year commitment.
Location of Position:
Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune, NC

Contact Information:
To apply please e-mail your CV and cover letter to dodphsp@hhs.gov. The cover letter should reference this job announcement, indicate your location preference, state your date of availability, introduce yourself, and provide your contact information to include name, address, phone, and e-mail.