

Defense Health Agency – Vacancy Announcement

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: DHA-MH-NCR-006

*****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 (4 positions)

*****LOCATION DESCRIPTION*****

This position is located in the Directorate of Behavioral Health at Fort Belvoir Community Hospital in Virginia

*****CLOSING DATE*****

November 12, 2020

*****JOB DESCRIPTION*****

The Clinical Social Worker position will support Directorate of Behavioral Health (DBH) and other departments and services within DBH with primary function and responsibility of conducting child and adolescent comprehensive psychosocial evaluations of both inpatients and outpatients, coordinating the development of multidisciplinary treatment plans, with specific emphasis on complex cases that focus on high risk individuals, to include patients who have severe psychiatric illness, substance abuse issues, neurological diseases, brain injury; patient who are physically abused or neglected, financially exploited, live alone and cannot care for self, and/or who are mentally incompetent.

Incumbent provides brief strategic and crisis counseling for patients and families who are in acute psychiatric distress, providing therapeutic intervention to lessen the impact of acute, chronic, and/or terminal illness or injury on the lives of patients and families. Provides individual, group psychotherapy, comprehensive clinical family therapy, and aftercare planning, as indicated by the Service population, to include children, adolescent, adults and geriatric patients. Provides evidenced based treatment modalities that are specific and appropriate to each patient's age and circumstance. Engages in professional casework with individuals, couples, families; functions as a therapist in patient support groups. Coordinates and implements discharge plans by arranging for transition to the next level of care, in compliance with the multidisciplinary treatment plan.

Functions as a member of the multi-disciplinary treatment team, presenting internal reports and participating in patient evaluation and treatment planning. Provides patient care in the context of the larger systems, to include collateral contracts with MTFs, mental health and social service agencies, courts, other MTF departments, and/or other military and civilian hospitals. Interfaces with substance abuse service, as well as other MTF functions for the purpose of coordinating follow-up and treatment to assure continuity of patient care, facilitate necessary transfers within facility and post discharge

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follow-up and treatment. Exercise mature professional judgement within the treatment process, dealing constructively and definitively. The PHS Officer will maintain accurate and current notes in patient medical records of all patients seen, as appropriate, and produce reports of evaluation and/or treatment, as required.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

Candidates should have a master's degree in Social Work and be Licensed/Clinical Social Worker with a background or bachelor's degree in mental health or social sciences. Prefer some experience in assessment and recognition of mental health illnesses. The ideal candidate will also have experience working with a military population and must have an active and unrestricted license.

Occasional on-call duty is required

Secret security clearance required

CONTACT INFORMATION

Interested USPHS Commissioned Corps officers should forward a cover letter highlighting relevant experience and education, including three references, curriculum vitae, and last three COERS (as one PDF document) via email to the Commissioned Corps Program Office at dha.ncr.dha-hr.mbx.phs-ccteam@mail.mil. Please include the **Vacancy Announcement Number DHA-MH-NCR-006** in the subject line and in the body of your email. Failure to provide this information may impact your consideration for this position. Please direct any questions regarding this position or the application process to the email listed above.