

Defense Health Agency – Vacancy Announcement

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: DHA-MH-A-LOW-001

*****FOCUS AREA*****

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

*****POSITION TITLE*****

Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, (O-5 Billet, Non-supervisory). Equivalent to MEDCOM standardized GS-13 PD

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

This position is located at Winn Army Community Hospital

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

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.

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

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*****

The vacancy will remain posted and applications will continue to be accepted until a candidate is selected.

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

Serves as Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner for Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) under the leadership of Chief, DBH/Installation Director of Psychological Health. Provides a

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wide range of services to patients with acute and severe psychiatric diagnoses and behavioral health related conditions. Services perform are a combination of advance practice nursing and psychiatric services. Diagnose, conduct therapy, and prescribe medications for patients who have psychiatric disorders, medical organic brain disorders or substance abuse problems. Provide emergency psychiatric services, psychosocial and physical assessment of patients, treatment plans, and manage patient care. Serve as consultant to Army leaders. Educate patients, family members, and staff on psychiatric diagnoses, including differential diagnosis of medical disorders with psychiatric symptoms, and on medication treatment for psychiatric disorders.

Essential job functions are as follows:

- Provide behavioral healthcare to Army patients with psychiatric diagnosis.
- Take medical histories, performs tests as needed, and administers injections.
- Provide assessments, crisis response, medication, direct behavioral health services, and medical record documentation in accordance with Department of Army, US Army Medical Command and MTF regulations and policies.
- Develop working relationships with primary care, other healthcare providers, clinics and community resources.
- Serve as lead staff person on an as-needed basis as directed by Chief, Behavioral Health or program manager.
- Evaluate complaints of an acute and chronic nature.
- Participates in special projects/performs other duties as assigned.
- Complies with productivity standards outlined in current OTSG/MEDOM policy.

Maintains all basic readiness standards as required by the U.S. Public Health Service. PHS officers assigned under this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) must remain available for PHS deployments. Under this MOA, PHS officers are not authorized to deploy with the military. 3-year (minimum) assignment tour.

Requires a SECRET clearance.

*****CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT*****

PHS advance practice nurse who meets the following: basic readiness standards; good professional standing; masters; postgraduate or doctoral degree from a family psychiatric nurse practitioner program accredited by the CCNE or the ACEN; current, active license to practice in the U.S; and experience and expertise in prescribing medication for psychiatric conditions.

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.

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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-A-LOW-001** 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.