

Defense Health Agency – Vacancy Announcement

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: DHA-MH-AF-SA-004

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

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

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

Mental Health Nurse, (O-4, non-supervisory)

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

Fairchild Air Force Base is an integral part of our nation's defense strategy. Today, Fairchild's aircraft and personnel make up the backbone of the Air Force's tanker fleet on the west coast. This Center of Excellence for Air Refueling is the home of the Air Force's premier tanker base and survival training school house.

The 92nd Air Refueling Wing, the 141st Air Refueling Wing, the 336th Training Group, and the associate units at Fairchild, and the Spokane community have forged an impressive relationship over the years. This team, "Team Fairchild," has earned a well-deserved reputation for excellence. Team Fairchild will continue to meet future challenges in its usual fashion, and in so doing will preserve the legacy of excellence that began over 74 years ago by providing responsive, precise air refueling and operational support for a full range of military operations.

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

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

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

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

As a member of the Mental Health Team, the Mental Health Care Coordinator (MHCC) provides interdisciplinary care coordination for patients seen in the mental health clinic (MHC) and acts as the primary liaison to other interdisciplinary teams providing care to patients seen in the MHC with a focus on coordination with primary care teams. The MHCC provides comprehensive care coordination and performs as directed MH case management functions, IAW AFI 44-172, Mental Health, for patients identified as high risk, complex, or in transitions of care and oversees all patient care coordination activities within the MHC by other members of the team. Care coordination is a deliberate cross-cutting action that involves high-quality, caring, and well-informed staff, patients and caregivers, to include command as appropriate, who must work together across health and social care settings to support the patient. Coordination involves efficient use of systems and services that both communicate and identify barriers in the continuum of care within the internal care system and external providers and facilities.

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The MHCC provides professional nursing services as related to triage of patient care needs, assessment of new patients, proactive care management to include medication compliance and patient/family education. The MHCC participates and/or leads staff meetings and leads/assists quality improvement activities focusing on improving care coordination processes and functions. Additional roles may include: Mental Health Clinic Staff Education and Training Officer, Suicide Prevention Program Manager, Director of Psychological Health, and Mental Health Case Manager (MHCM). They may also serve as the Behavioral Health Team Resilient Airman Counsel (RAC) and/or Integrated Delivery System (IDS) representative.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

Working knowledge and a minimum of three years of experience with levels of care to include post hospital and acute care illness stabilization. Be able to anticipate and articulate to health management and/or interdisciplinary team, the patient's needs, requirements, abilities, and limitations.

A minimum of three years of experience with professional nursing care standards, theories, principles, practices, disease process and procedures to perform nursing assignments of moderate to severe difficulty and experience to acutely and chronically ill adult and geriatric patients as appropriate.

Must possess a working knowledge of computer operations and demonstrates proficiency in the use of basic word processing, data entry and Electronic Medical Records and/or Electronic Health Record.

Must have at least 36 months of total nursing experience in a direct patient care clinical setting (Dual AFSC 46N3/M46P3 experience preferred). Must have experience providing services such as psychiatric nursing or behavioral health and wellness counseling within 24 recent consecutive months.

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-AF-SA-004** 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.