

#### **MHP POSITION**

We are a private Mental Health Rehabilitation Clinic. Our highly qualified staff includes: Psychiatrists, Licensed Clinical Professionals, and non-licensed Master's and Bachelor level counselors.

We offer comprehensive services to children ages 3 and up, adolescents, adults and families who are experiencing any of the following challenges:

- ADHD and other Cognitive/Learning Disorders
- Depressive Disorder and Bipolar Disorder
- Schizophrenia and other Psychotic Disorders
- Conduct Disorders (often including fighting, bullying, legal problems)
- Generalized Anxiety Disorder
- PTSD and Acute Stress Disorder
- Panic Disorders
- Adjunct support can also be provided for: Autism and Substance Abuse Disorders

The Mental Health Rehabilitation (MHR) Program is administered by the Department of Health and Hospitals through a partnership of the Louisiana Medicaid Program, the fiscal intermediary, the Office of Mental Health, and the network of certified and enrolled providers.

MHR services are for adults with serious mental illness and children with emotional/behavioral disorders. The services are outpatient and designed to reduce the disability resulting from mental illness and assist in the recovery and resiliency of the recipient. These services are home and community-based and are provided on an as needed basis to assist recipients in coping with the symptoms of their illness.

The intent of MHR services is to minimize the disabling effects on the individual's capacity for independent living and to prevent or limit the periods of inpatient treatment. Providers offer prior-authorized services to adults with mental illness and youth with an emotional/behavioral disorder who meet medical necessity criteria for services.

# **Position Summary:**

Under supervision, the Mental Health Professional provides case management/counseling for chronically mentally ill and/or disabled adults, emotionally disturbed children, or adolescents and their families, to improve quality of life and maintain the highest possible ability to function independently within the community.

#### **Duties include:**

- Establishes a relationship with clients and their families based upon mutual trust and respect.
- Facilitates client access to community resources, including locating recreational
  activities, housing, food, clothing, school programs, vocational opportunities or
  services, providers to teach life skills, and relevant mental health services; assists
  clients to develop natural resources and make contact with social support
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- Teaches and assists clients in coping skills, daily living skills, skills training, resource utilization training, goal attainment planning, socialization skills, etc.
- Assists in teaching symptom monitoring and illness self-management skills
  including symptom management, relapse prevention, medication knowledge
  including medication side effects, and motivational/skill development in taking
  medications as prescribed.
- Assists clients in developing goals and areas of need; follows client treatment plans which are assessed regularly.
- Assesses, supports and intervenes in crisis situations, including the development
  and use of crisis plans that recognize the early stages of crisis/relapse, and use
  natural/community supports as alternatives to hospitalization or emergency room
  visits.
- Assesses patients; evaluates effectiveness of service plan and progress made by client; participates in patient treatment planning and case review with patient care providers.

### **Education/Experience:**

- Has at minimum a Master's degree in Education, Sociology, Social Work or Criminal Justice discipline.
- Has a minimum of 60+ hours of undergraduate level course work. These hours may be obtained as a part of or in addition to the degree.
- Has at least one year experience providing case management to clients in the counseling social service area.

# **Additional required experience:**

- Must complete sixteen (16) hours of post-employment documented orientation training that includes topics outlined in the Louisiana Behavioral Health staffing requirements.
- Must complete twenty (20) hours of annual ongoing education and training that includes topics outlined in the Louisiana Behavioral Health staffing requirements.
- Bilingual (English / Spanish) preferred.

Please respond to the listed email address with your resume or CV, contact information, and a brief statement as to why you feel you would be a good fit for the position.

We look forward to hearing from you!