

## MENTAL HEALTH THERAPIST – CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICES

### DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Chautauqua County Department of Mental Hygiene and Social Services is accepting applications for a Mental Health Therapist in the Jamestown, NY office. A Mental Health Therapist is responsible for counseling and treatment of patients with social, emotional or related difficulties, which constitute a disability. Work is performed under the general supervision of a Clinic Director. Supervision may be the responsibility of the incumbent depending upon specific assignment. Does related work as required. This position is full-time at 35 hours per week, as assigned. Starting salary is \$30.76/hour with benefits.

#### **Typical Job Duties:**

- Participates in the intake and screening of new clients;
- Evaluates and assesses the client's psychological dysfunctions as related to the need for therapy;
- Provides individual, group and family therapy;
- Participates as a team member and provides mental health therapy services to help clients adjust to their disabilities and social environment;
- Refers clients to additional services as clinically indicated;
- Tracks and monitors client progress;
- Coordinates various activity and treatment programs with social agencies;
- Compiles case studies, recording pertinent information and maintains all paperwork in accordance with NYS regulations;
- Plans with the community agencies related to the client's treatment and rehabilitation program to his social situation prior to his discharge;
- Collects and maintains appropriate data from various sources such as professional staff and client's families to establish an overall approach to the solution of client's mental and social problems;
- Maintains information on community and health resources that can be utilized during the client's care and subsequent to his discharge;
- Participates in the process of transfer of clients to other levels of treatment as appropriate when assigned to a day treatment program;
- Plans with community agencies to relate the patient's treatment and rehabilitation program to the social and work situation;
- May function as liaison to assigned community groups.

This position is being filled on a provisional basis pending the outcome of a future dated Civil Service examination for this title.

#### **Chautauqua County Offers A Comprehensive Benefits Package Which Includes:**

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| - Health Insurance (including Dental & Vision plan)       | - 13 Paid Holidays          |
| - Health Savings Account (partially funded by the County) | - Vacation & Sick Time      |
| - Personal Days   |                             |
| - NYSLERS Pension   | - NYS Deferred Compensation |
| - Eligible for Federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness    | - Wellness Program          |

**Must Meet Minimum Qualifications:** Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered graduate school with a master's or higher degree in Counseling from a program approved by the New York State Department of Education.

**\*Additional Requirement:** Possession of New York State limited permit to practice as a Mental Health Counselor within three (3) months after appointment. Possession of a New York State license as a Mental Health Counselor within two (2) years after obtaining the Limited Permit and during service in this classification.

**Application Process:** Interested candidates must complete an original Chautauqua County Government Application for Employment/Examination available on the county's website: [chqgov.com](http://chqgov.com) and ***return it along with copy of your college transcripts/degree and LMHC\* license if applicable***, to Chautauqua County Department of Human Resources, Gerace Office Building – Room 144, 3 North Erie St, Mayville, NY 14757 or email completed application (including signature) to [Countyemploy@chqgov.com](mailto:Countyemploy@chqgov.com)

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