

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 two (2) Mental Health Therapists in the (1) Southwestern School District and (1) 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 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

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