



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Health has a career opportunity for qualified candidates for the following position:

Title Social Worker 1 - Psychiatric [Classified Competitive]			Salary P20 \$54,390.80 - \$76,912.67
Posting Number 61-22	Position Number 035699	Number of Positions 1	Posting Period * From: 01/12/2022 To: 01/26/2022
Location: Division of Behavioral Health Services- Central Office Centralized Admissions (TPH) 100 Sullivan Way, W. Trenton, NJ,			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: Department of Health Employees

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Social Worker 1- Psychiatric position will be responsible for legally involved cases: Social worker should be knowledgeable in the availability of services for the mentally ill patients in the community. Her/his job will involve working with community referring sources to identify discharge needs of a patient. Assist by identifying community discharge options such as group home, shelters, boarding homes, nursing homes and DDD group homes. The candidate should be competent in making applications for Medicaid and Medicare, SSD and SSI assistance. Major job responsibilities will involve finding appropriate discharge options for an individuals to prevent admission to a state facility when appropriate. The position requires coordination and collaboration with referring agencies to determine appropriateness for SPH (State Psychiatric Hospitalization). The coordinator will maintain a collegial relationship with NH (nursing home) and TBI (Traumatic Brain Injury) providers to promote communication and collaborative efforts to place patient and improve their medical or social circumstances. Ensure providers adhere to protocols for COVIE-19 vaccination and testing when referring patients. Maintain NH, DDD and guardianship trackers that enhanced the implementation of program goals , policies, procedures and objectives. Attend OAC (older adults committee meetings) and and SRC (systems review committee meetings) identify systems issues with the geriatric population and add feedback to solving problems in the system. Produce monthly reports tracking data for targeted population.

REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college with a Master's degree in Social Work.

EXPERIENCE: One (1) year of experience in social case work, involving responsibility for gathering and analyzing social information from clients, the determination of their needs, and the planning and administration of treatment plans geared toward the needs of individual clients.

NOTE: A Master's degree in Social Work including or supplemented by a supervised field placement accredited by the Council on Social Work Education may be substituted for the above stated experience requirements.

LICENSE: Appointees will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform essential duties of the position.

IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS

If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:

- Forward the required documents electronically to:
PSTBHS@doh.nj.gov
- Mail the required documents to:
**Donna Wagner, Administrative Assistant 2
Behavioral Health Services
Reference Posting #61-22
New Jersey Department of Health
PO Box 360
Trenton, NJ 08625-0360**

Required documents:

- cover letter
- resume
- completed application, found at:
<http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf>

* Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.

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- *Newly hired employees must agree to a thorough background check that will include fingerprinting.*
 - *If you are a candidate for a position in our Public Health and Environmental Laboratories, you may be subject to pre- and /or post-employment alcohol and drug testing.*
 - *If you are a candidate for a position that involves direct client care in one of the State facilities/programs, you may be subject to pre- and/or post-employment drug testing/screening. The cost of any pre-employment testing will be at the candidate's expense. Candidates with a positive drug test result, or those who refuse to be tested and/or cooperate with the testing requirement, will not be hired.*
 - *In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification form upon hire.*
 - *In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-7, the "New Jersey First Act", all employees must reside in the State of New Jersey, unless exempted under the law. If you do not live in New Jersey, you have one year after you begin employment to relocate your residence to New Jersey.*
 - **The New Jersey Department of Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer.**
 - *RESUME NOTE: Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.*