
Job Title	MHSC Behavioral Health Clinician - Nurse Family Partnership
PVN ID	HC-1802-002343
Category	Instruction and Social Service
Location	HUNTER COLLEGE

Department

Status	Full Time
Annual Salary	\$55,000.00 - \$55,000.00
Hour(s) a Week	35
Closing Date	Apr 05, 2018 (Or Until Filled)

General Description

The New York City Mental Health Service Corps (MHSC) is a key initiative of Thrive NYC: A Mental Health Roadmap for All— a comprehensive public health approach to mental health designed to promote and protect the wellbeing of all New Yorkers. The MHSC fills the too long neglected gaps in mental health and substance use services throughout NYC by creating a corps of approximately 400 mental health clinicians able to provide effective evidence-based mental health treatment in high-need communities. Through best practices and a better design of care, the initiative will increase the diversity of behavioral health clinicians in the workforce and strengthen care where it is needed the most.

MHSC focuses on the recruitment, training, and support of early career social workers to increase access to mental health services in primary care and behavioral health settings throughout high need areas of New York City. MHSC provides a structured supervision system as required in New York for clinicians who are accumulating clinical and supervision hours towards advanced licensure. Additionally clinicians participate in a continuing professional development program provided by MHSC that includes regularly scheduled in-person and webinar based workshops. Clinicians will serve with MHSC for three years. Upon completion of these three years, clinicians will have made an important contribution to the mental health of New Yorkers.

The Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) is one of the specific placement opportunities within MHSC. NFP is a nationally replicated nurse home visiting program that serves first-time, low-income mothers and their families from pregnancy through the child's second birthday. The NFP model has been rigorously evaluated for over 30 years and has demonstrated significant improvements in pregnancy outcomes, parenting practices, child health and development, and family self-sufficiency. MHSC social workers placed with NFP will work under the direct supervision of The Manager of Mental Health and Strategic Partnerships. The social worker will provide short-term in-home therapy for clients identified by nurse home visitors (NHV) as requiring mental health services while also serving as an advocate to clients navigating social services. The social worker will also offer consultation to NHVs re: clients with mental health/social service needs. The ideal candidate is organized,

motivated, creative, adaptive to change and willing to work in the field 80% of the time or more as needed. Bilingual Spanish a plus.

MHSC is a city-funded program housed under Hunter College, CUNY and the Research Foundation of CUNY. All MHSC staff are employees of the Research Foundation of CUNY. Excellent Benefits and Vacation Package from RF-CUNY.

Other Duties

- Conduct home visits to new mothers in New York City in this new and innovative program.
- Provide clinical care to patients to include initial assessments, diagnostic formulation, treatment planning, and treatment delivery and/or appropriate referrals.
- Treatment will include utilization of evidence-based practices and could include individual, and family treatments.
- Document treatment and outcomes in electronic medical record system at the practice.
- Facilitate referrals for clients as needed to other services and agencies.
- Complete any correspondence and documentation requirements of MHSC. Regularly check MHSC email and other communication platforms.
- Meet regularly with on-site and MHSC supervisors to discuss concerns and carry out plans for each client.
- Attend and participate in MHSC individual and group supervision, training sessions, and staff meetings.
- Follow all policies and procedures of MHSC as well as of the organization in which you are placed.
- Maintain client confidentiality as guaranteed by the Social Security Act and HIPPA.
- Work Schedule may vary and could include days, nights and weekends.

Qualifications

- MSW from accredited school of Social Work with eligibility for Limited Permit in Social Work; LMSW preferred.
 - Unlicensed MSWs must apply for limited permit and must obtain license within 6 months of hire.
- Ability to travel within NYC as home visits are required.
- Excellent written and verbal communication and organizational skills
- Commitment to 3 years of practice with Mental Health Service Corps.

Additional Preferred Skills:

- Interest/experience in Public Health
- Interest/experience in Infant Mental health

- Interest/experience in dyadic work with infant and mother
- Interest/experience in reproductive health
- Knowledge of Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders
- Committed to racial & reproductive justice
- Familiarity with crisis intervention and Motivational Interviewing
- Excellent computer skills including: MS word, Excel, PowerPoint

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