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ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO FILL A VACANT EXEMPT POSITION

JOB TITLE: MH Social Worker II

NUMBER: 07-63

JOB CODE: W2000

POSITION #: 8805382

SALARY RANGE: (70) \$31,968.00 - \$48,424.80 Annually

DATE: 10/10/2007

JOB LOCATION: Searcy Hospital, Mt. Vernon, AL

QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from a four-year college or university approved or accredited by the Council on Social Work Education with a Masters degree in Social Work.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Possession of or eligibility for licensure as a graduate social worker as issued by the Alabama Board of Social Work.

KIND OF WORK: This is a professional social work position which provides social services to a caseload of clients in a state mental facility. Employee may supervise other social work staff. Work performed includes interviewing clients, families, and agencies to gather information and to compose documents such as psychosocial assessments/updates, as assigned. Composing progress notes, correspondence, treatment/service plans on a rotating basis, social work portion of the Aftercare Plan, etc. Providing direct treatment such as crisis intervention, group/family/individual therapy, as well as ongoing contact with clients and families. Participating as a member of the interdisciplinary treatment/service team assisting in the development and implementation of the treatment/service plan. Conversing/corresponding verbally and in writing on an ongoing basis with staff, clients' families, other departments and outside agencies regarding services needed for the client and/or family. Ongoing contact with mental health centers. Arranging post-hospitalization plans to include coordinating services/needs with client, agencies, family, etc.

Employee's work is performed under the general supervision of a social work supervisor and an administrative supervisor. Employee's work is reviewed for conformance to accepted standards and program effectiveness.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES: Ability to effectively communicate in writing, Ability to read and comprehend documents such as social histories, psychological assessments, data and court orders, and etc., Ability to effectively convey and express ideas, Ability to make clinical assessments, Knowledge of social work to include family dynamics, development models, community and group process cultural influencing factors, psycho-social development and social work roles, Ability to exercise good judgment in rendering decisions, Knowledge of clinical interventions such individual, group and family therapy, crisis intervention and behavioral management techniques, Knowledge of mental and psychological disorders, Knowledge of psychotropic medications, Knowledge of crisis intervention techniques, Knowledge of physical disabilities to include age of onset, course, prognosis, etiology and levels of functioning.

METHOD OF SELECTION: Applicants will be rated on the basis of an evaluation of their education, training, and experience, and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications as above mentioned. All relevant information is subject to verification. Drug Screening Required. Security clearances will be conducted on prospective applicants being given serious consideration for employment and whose job requires direct contact with clients.

HOW TO APPLY: Use an official Application for Professional Employment (Exempt Classification) which may be obtained from this office. Applications may also be obtained online at www.mh.alabama.gov. Applications should be returned to **SEARCY HOSPITAL, OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, P.O. BOX 1090, MT. VERNON, AL 36560** by **UNTIL FILLED** in order to be considered for this position.

COPIES OF LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS SHOULD BE FORWARDED WITH YOUR APPLICATION OR FURNISHED DURING INTERVIEW. AN OFFICIAL COPY OF ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPTS IS REQUIRED AND MUST BE FORWARDED BY THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY TO THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS. DRUG SCREENING REQUIRED.