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ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO FILL A VACANT NON-MERIT POSITION

JOB TITLE: Psychologist II

ANNOUNCEMENT #: 08-33

JOB CODE: P5000

POSITION #: 8805435

SALARY: (81) \$55,327.20 - \$84,276.00 (Annually)

DATE: 9/16/2008

JOB LOCATION: Searcy Hospital, Mt. Vernon, AL

QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Doctorate Degree in Psychology and experience (24 months or more) in psychological work.

NECESSARY SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS: Possession of or eligibility for licensure as issued by the Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology.

KIND OF WORK: This is professional psychological work in a state mental health facility. The employee is responsible for psychological services in a designated area of the facility. Work performed includes designing and providing group, individual, behavioral and family therapy. Designing, implementing, reviewing, and supervising Behavioral Management Programs (BMPs). Selecting, administering, scoring, and interpreting psychological tests for diagnostic and treatment purposes. Completing and documenting psychological assessments in the form of a psychological report. Intervening in crisis situations such as fights, destruction of property, suicide gestures, threats or attempts, self-abusive behavior, elopement, sexual acting-out, arguments, and personal emotive disturbances. Observing and documenting pertinent client behaviors. Giving and receiving information to/from co-workers, others agencies, clients, families, and contracted parties. Supervising and providing training for master's level psychological associates. Maintaining accurate documentation as required by hospital policy and departmental guidelines. Discussing and documenting post-hospital planning information.

Supervision maybe exercised over other professional and non professional employees. Work is performed under the general supervision of a professional or administrative supervisor and is reviewed through conferences and reports for conformance to accepted standards and program effectiveness.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES: Knowledge of treatment strategies, Knowledge of various diagnostic disorders and categories, Knowledge of psychological assessment instruments, Knowledge of conflict intervention techniques, Ability to make clinical assessments, Ability to make decisions as needed to establish priorities, Ability to effectively communicate orally and in writing, Ability to conduct therapy, Ability to supervise subordinates, Ability to read and comprehend various documents, Ability to calculate and initiate various mathematical computations.

METHOD OF SELECTION: Applicants will be rated on the basis of an evaluation of their training, experience, and applicants 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 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 from our website - www.mh.alabama.gov. Applications should be returned to **SEARCY HOSPITAL, OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, P.O. BOX 1090, MT. VERNON, AL 36560** by **OPEN UNTIL FILLED** in order to be considered for this position.

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