Waukesha County Health and Human Services

Senior Mental Health Counselor

The Waukesha County (WI) Department of Health and Human Services is recruiting a full time Senior Health Counselor to serve as the primary court liaison for Chapter 51 (mental health) court hearings. The Senior Mental Health Counselor will carry a caseload of clients (juvenile and adult) court ordered for mental health treatment. This position will require court monitoring and ongoing assessment of client’s progress towards mental health recovery. In consultation with collateral providers and the multidisciplinary team of the County 51.42 Board, the Senior Mental Health Counselor will make recommendations to the court regarding the need for continued court oversight.

This position will be based out of the Waukesha County Department of Human Services Outpatient Mental Health and Substance Abuse Clinic. The Senior Mental Health Counselor works as part of a multidisciplinary team within the outpatient clinic.

Educational requirements are a Bachelor’s degree from a recognized college or university with a major in sociology, social work, psychology or a closely relate field and two years of professional experience in the field of mental health including one thousand hours of experience delivering services to the chronically mentally ill and their families. An ideal candidate will have a master’s degree in social work (preferred licenses as APSW) with a strong grasp of mental health and behavioral disorders and belief in the concept of community recovery.

The annual salary range for the Senior Mental Health Counselor position is $48,714 -- $64,293. The Department may underfill position as a Mental Health Counselor with salary range of $44,179 - $58,323 and a minimum requirement of:

- Bachelor’s degree with a major in sociology, social work, psychology or a closely related field; or
- Bachelor’s degree with at least four courses in sociology, social work or psychology, plus one year of professional experience in the field of mental health.

Our benefit package includes vacation, holidays, sick time, health, dental and life insurance, deferred compensation program, enrollment in the Wisconsin State Retirement program.

Waukesha County (pop. 390,730) is located in southeastern Wisconsin, thirty minutes from downtown Milwaukee, two hours from downtown Chicago, and one hour from Madison. The city of Waukesha was named one of the 2006 Money Magazine Best Places to Live

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