



Burke Job Posting/Job Description

Position Title

Mental Health Specialist – L.P. - Mental Health Emergency Center – Lufkin, TX

Position Number

P #533

General Description

The Mental Health Specialist will provide safety monitoring of resident clients and assists in establishing and maintaining an environment that is therapeutic for persons with mental illness on the Extended Observation and Crisis Residential Units. These programs operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Duties will include, but may not be limited to the following: monitoring acutely mentally ill adults; intervening when necessary to prevent clients from escalating; facilitating client engagement in treatment services; prompting, supervising and assisting clients in performing basic activities of daily living; and generally observing, documenting, and reporting client conditions and behaviors. May also transport clients to other medical services in the community, when necessary. Will perform services in accordance with Burke and Medicaid standards and requirements. Emotional maturity, self-discipline, flexibility, and good verbal skills are a must. Performs under the direct supervision of the charge nurse and general supervision of the Crisis Coordinator.

Education

Required: Graduation from an accredited high school or its equivalent.

Experience

Preferred: Experience working with adults with mental illness.

Licenses/Certifications

Required: Valid Texas driver's license.

Special Requests or Comments

Required: Must be physically able to complete all required training to include: Satori Alternative to Managing Aggression (SAMA), CPR, First Aid, Defensive Driving, Van Driving, and other training required in the training modules. Must have a driving record insurable by Burke's insurance administrator. Reliable transportation is required.

Physical Requirements

Required: Sight, hearing, talking, lifting up to 50 pounds, walking, driving a vehicle, and hand/finger dexterity.

Hours

Hours will vary. Staff in this position will be called in on an as needed basis to cover unit staffing needs.

Salary

\$12.00 per hour

Notice to All Prospective Burke Applicants

Burke does not discriminate on the basis of race; color; gender; sexual orientation; national origin; religion; age; mental, physical, or sensory disability, unless these are bonafide occupational requirements for a position.

Applications are now being accepted for the vacancies listed and will be accepted until these open positions are filled. Qualified applicants will be considered on a first-come, first-serve basis. All applicants for employment will be required to produce as a part of the application process, proof of employment authorization and positive proof of identification.

Acceptable proof of employment authorization includes:

- 1) United States Passport (with photograph)
- 2) Certificate of Naturalization
- 3) U.S. Birth Certificate
- 4) Resident Alien Card
- 5) Social Security Card
- 6) Driver's license with photograph
- 7) Other identification document with a photograph

Only applications submitted with a specific numbered position listed will be considered.

Physical requirements listed in positions will be discussed in detailed at time of interview.

Criminal convictions that would have relevance to the job being applied for may make you ineligible for employment in that position. The names of all prospective employees are cleared through the Texas Department of Public Safety to determine the existence of such records.

Applicants for positions requiring driving must have driving records insurable by our insurance carrier. Driving records will also be checked through the Texas Department of Public Safety.