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Mental Health

Staff Social Worker

\$42,503 – 50,458

DATED: February 5, 2010

LAST DAY FOR FILING: February 18, 2010

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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Provides social work services to patients of the Community Mental Health/Mental Retardation facility; does related work as required

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative only)

- Participates in the intake and screening of new patients, evaluating and diagnosing the patient and problems;
- Participates as a team member in individual, group and family therapy;
- Provides social work services to help patients adjust to their disabilities and social environment;
- Refers clients to other governmental and non-governmental agencies;
- Coordinates various activity and treatment programs with other social agencies;
- Compiles case studies, recording pertinent information;
- Plans with the community mental health team and with community agencies to relate the patient's treatment and rehabilitation program to his/her social situation prior to his/her discharge;
- Collects and maintains appropriate data from various sources such as professional staff and patients' families to establish an overall approach to the solution of patients' mental and social problems;
- Maintains information on community and health resources, which can be utilized during the patient's care and subsequent to his/her discharge;
- Participates in the process of transfer of patients to other levels of treatment as appropriate.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES: Thorough knowledge of the practices and procedures of social work and of the social factors affecting disease and disability; ability to organize work effectively; ability to interpret federal, state and local laws affecting the medical and health programs; ability to prepare reports; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: A Master's Degree in Social Work from a graduate school of social work approved by the New York State Department of Education.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Must obtain LMSW within three months from appointment. Agreed to by the Municipal Service Division and the Department of Mental Hygiene, Division for Local Service.

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CLASSIFICATION: Competitive

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