## **HARRIS COUNTY**

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invites applications for the position of:

# **Therapist**

An Equal Opportunity Employer

\$29.02 - \$31.31 Hourly, commensurate with experience

**OPENING DATE:** 2/1/2017

# APPLICANTS MAY APPLY AT WWW.HARRISCOUNTYTX.GOV/HRRM

## **POSITION DESCRIPTION:**

**SALARY:** 

Identifies and addresses psychological, psychiatric, emotional and serious behavioral concerns of residents upon admission and during their course of stay at the residential facilities.

- Assists in coordination and management of the unit's referral system.
- Conducts psychosocial/clinical assessments and supportive psychosocial counseling for juveniles.
- Provides individual, group, crisis and family counseling.
- Identifies and refers youths for psychiatric services.
- Provides special attention intervention as needed for all youth and be available for 24-hour emergency call.
- Performs in the capacity of team leader in the coordination of staffing and programming of assigned juveniles on special attention status.
- Maintains thorough and timely clinical records in accordance with Health and Residential Services policies and procedures.
- Provides relevant clinical/administrative functions such as clinical staffing, medication monitoring, staff training, managing juveniles' visitation system and other duties as designated by immediate supervisor or division administrator.
- Provides advocacy and collaborative efforts to ensure relevant services are provided to assigned juveniles.
- Consults with Deputy Director, Assistant Deputy Director, facility administration and other probation department personnel regarding juveniles in your care.
- Adheres to all departmental policies and procedures, Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) standards, federal, state and local statues at all times.
- Maintains appropriate training and certification in accordance with departmental and TJJD standards.

Position will require working with dangerous/aggressive youths; should possess a high tolerance for working in an emotionally demanding/stressful work environment.

# **REQUIREMENTS:**

- MA/MS degree in Psychology, Social Work, Clinical or Counseling Psychology, or a related subject area from an accredited college or university.
- Licensed to practice in the State of Texas as a Professional Counselor (LPC), Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) or Psychological Associate (LPA).
- A minimum of two (2) years of post-graduate experience working in a clinical setting of which at least one (1) year must include working with juveniles.

Applicants may substitute one (1) year of post-graduate clinical experience with at least two (2) semesters of internship in the Psychological and Social Services Unit of Harris County Juvenile Probation Department or in MHMRA Children's Forensic Unit.

<u>NOTE:</u> Qualifying education, experience, knowledge and skills must be documented on your job application. You may attach a resume to the application as supporting documentation; but **ONLY information stated on the application will be used for consideration. "See Resume"** will not be accepted for qualifications.

## **PREFERENCES:**

- Experience working with juveniles in a detention, residential or mental health setting.
- Experience working in a context of comprehensive mental health service delivery, including individual/group counseling, family services, crisis intervention, proactive (preventive) programming, consultation and coordination of clinical services.
- Bilingual.

#### **HOURS:**

- 40 Hours Per Week / Flexible
- To Include Late Nights and Weekends

# **SALARY:**

• Based on 26 Pay Periods

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