

ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

VACANCY NOTICE

DEPARTMENT: Mental Health – Forensic Mental Health

TITLE OF POSITION: Forensic Mental Health Specialist I – Adult MH (2 positions available)

TYPE OF POSITION: 1 Temporary (provisional / contingent permanent pending civil service exams)
1 Provisional (permanency pending civil service exam)

EXAM TYPE: Open Competitive (open to the public, exam required)

PRIMARY ASSIGNMENT: Erie County Correctional Facility or Erie County Holding Center

SHIFT: To Be Determined

SALARY: Starts at \$60,601 Annually

POSTING DATES: May 16, 2023 – May 30, 2023

*** The person hired for this position will have to take a civil service examination and attain a score that is reachable under NYS civil service law. ***

This is entrance level professional forensic mental health work which involves responsibility for providing direct mental health services to persons under custody in the Holding Center or Correctional Facility. These include inmates awaiting trial and sentencing, those serving sentences, probation and parole violators. The work is carried out in accordance with established procedures, with leeway permitted for the exercise of independent judgment. The work involves helping to assess the need for psychiatric examination and determination, rendering direct treatment, which at times includes crisis intervention, and providing consultation and reports to referring agencies. The work is performed under the direct rank, and may exercise supervision over a small number of para-professional or clerical employees. The class differs from Mental Health Specialist II in that cases assigned are generally less complex, and in that supervision exercised by this class is limited to sub-professional staff. Does related work as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered four (4) year college or university with a Master's Degree in Social Work, Psychology, Psychiatric Nursing, Rehabilitation Counseling, Education, or closely related field and six (6) months of experience providing services to persons with mental health conditions.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

New York State Department of Education license eligible as a Social Worker or Mental Health Counselor at time of appointment and holding a license at time of permanent appointment.

NOTE:

Verifiable part-time and/or volunteer experience will be pro-rated toward meeting full-time experience requirements.

Candidates must be legal residents of Erie County at the time of Provisional appointment, for at least one month immediately preceding the date of the written test, AND at the time of Permanent appointment.

**THIS NOTICE WILL BE POSTED FOR THE PERIOD
THROUGH AND INCLUDING**

**MAY 16, 2023
MAY 30, 2023**

To apply for this position, please e-mail your resume to be **received by 4:00pm on May 30, 2023** to

Shannon.Stocker@erie.gov

or mail your resume to:

Erie County Department of Mental Health

95 Franklin Street, Room 1237

Buffalo, NY 14202

Attn: Shannon Stocker

Resumes received after 4:00pm on May 30, 2023 will not be considered.

Only those whose resumes are being considered will be contacted.

Erie County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.