

Western Montana Mental Health Center
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Position: Emergency Mental Health Professional (*based out of Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital*)

Close Date: Open until filled

Hours: Mon-Fri 8am-4pm

Job Summary: This position provides mental health emergency/crisis intervention services to patients at Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital, primarily in the emergency department. On occasion this position may call for provision of 24-hour mobile mental health emergency/crisis intervention services to the citizens of Gallatin, Madison, and Park counties as needed and occasionally provides relief for other crisis staff on short notice. This position does *not* require in-home services.

Essential Job Responsibilities: Assess mental status, risk, and clinical needs of persons in distress; Provide emergency psychotherapy; Follow up on the status of persons in distress; Search out and refer to community resources; Evaluate clinical need for hospitalization; Evaluate appropriateness for involuntary treatment according to legal criteria; Provide written reports to county attorney and court; Testify in court in civil commitment cases; Provide consultation to hospital emergency room staff; Provide consultation to county jail and law enforcement personnel; Provide consultation to families, friends, and other providers of care to persons in acute distress; Provide clinical direction to Hope House staff; Complete clinical records and reports according to established policy and procedure; Compile statistics; Attend monthly clinical and staff meetings.

Qualifications: Ability to provide psychiatric assessment and crisis stabilization services to a variety of individuals in a variety of professional settings; Ability to evaluate according to clinical and legal criteria; Ability to write professional evaluations and testify in court; Ability to assess availability of and make appropriate referral to community resources; Ability to interact in a professional manner with a number of professional and consumer groups, often in stressful circumstances; Ability to prioritize and to respond appropriately to simultaneous demands.

Education & Experience: Licensure as a social worker, psychologist, or counselor in state of MT eligible for certification by the State of Montana as a Certified Mental Health Professional Person. A master's or doctoral degree from an accredited program in social work, clinical psychology, or psychological counseling with demonstrated coursework and practicum in assessment and treatment of seriously mentally ill adults. At least three years of post-master's experience working in a clinical setting where evaluation and referral skills are utilized, at least one year of which was spent assessing and treating severe and persistent mentally ill adults and at least six months of which was inpatient work, preferred. Preference for person who also has clinical experience with children, adolescents and families.