COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
COUNTYWIDE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

TRANSFER OPPORTUNITY

SUPERVISING PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER

Countywide Resource Management (CRM) is recruiting a Supervising Psychiatric Social Worker to provide program supervision for the CRM-Community Reintegration Program (CRP). This position will provide clinical and administrative supervision for 9 CRM-CRP staff performing mental health screening/triage and case management and linkage to community-based mental health services for low level offenders with mental illness who are being released from prison to Los Angeles County under Assembly Bill (AB) 109. With the recent passage of the 2011 Public Safety Realignment Legislation, Assembly Bill (AB) 109, a significant number of inmates will no longer be released to traditional State Parole. Effective October 1, 2011, certain non-violent, non-serious offenders will be released to Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) upon completion of their prison term. It is estimated that approximately 30 percent of those released to PRCS will suffer from mental illness. The CRM-CRP is being established to provide mental health screening/triage and linkage to community-based mental health services for these clients. This position will be co-located at the City of Alhambra – Probation Department. The primary duties and responsibilities of this position include:

- Supervising 8 Psychiatric Social Workers II’s/Mental Health Clinician II’s and 1 clerical staff, assigning work, scheduling and monitoring workloads and the appropriate and timely completion of assignments, and providing general supervision, including evaluating performance, providing clinical supervision, attending management and staff meetings, and working with providers, families, community agencies, and other DMH divisions to ensure assessment and linkage to appropriate mental health resources within the System of Care.
- Coordinating functions to provide mental health screening/triage and linkage to community-based mental health services for inmates being released from prison who have mental health needs.
- Identifying system barriers to the successful reintegration of inmates into communities and working with the CRM District Chief to resolve barriers with identified agencies and providers.
- In conjunction with the District Chief and Program Head, manage and allocate treatment resources for this population, including using outcome data related to mental health resources to inform those decisions.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

- Knowledge and experience in providing services to clients with forensic or criminal justice histories preferred.
- Excellent clinical, assessment and communication skills.
- Skill in tracking, multi-tasking, and prioritizing under pressure.
- Experience with psychiatric inpatient hospital discharge planning preferred.
- Ability to be creative, problem solve, delegate and motivate.
- Experience working with a multidisciplinary team.
- Adaptable and flexible.
- Willingness to travel countywide to provide field based supervision to staff.

Interested individuals are Supervising Psychiatric Social Worker or on the Supervising Psychiatric Social Worker Certifications Lists are encouraged to FAX their resume, last two (2) Performance Evaluations, and last two (2) years of master time records by Friday, September 30, 2011 to:

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