

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES-DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
Juvenile Court Mental Health Services - MDT**

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

**THIS IS NOT AN OFFICIAL EXAMINATION-COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH EMPLOYEES ONLY**

Psychiatric Social Worker II

Juvenile Court Mental Health Services is actively seeking Psychiatric Social Worker II's to staff the countywide expansion of the Crossover Youth Multi-disciplinary Team program. These PSW'S will work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to evaluate children/youth in the child welfare system who are concurrently involved with the juvenile delinquency system. The purpose of the PSW's is to provide recommendations regarding needed mental health services and supports to both branches of the juvenile court.

ESSENTIAL JOB DUTIES:

- Serves as an active participant on the Multi-disciplinary Team.
- Reviews all available records that pertain to the youth's mental health.
- Review of records also includes Dependency court files, probation history, police reports, Individual Education Plan's, and psychiatric hospital discharge summaries.
- Consult and collaborate with case carrying Children's Social Worker's and assigned Deputy Probation Officer's, as well as attorneys, children's advocates, and others involved with these Youth and the Multi-disciplinary Team.
- Conduct comprehensive mental health evaluations of referred Youth when permitted within the guidelines of the Multi-disciplinary Team and prepare written reports of findings, recommendations, and/or impressions.
- Provide clinical expertise, within scope of practice, to the Multi-disciplinary Team.
- Participate in Multi-disciplinary Team meetings to discuss findings and recommendations of referred Youth.
- When requested, appear in Delinquency Court to answer questions regarding mental health issues on referred Youth.
- **Travel throughout the County is required.**

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

- Clinical background with children, adolescents, and/or young adults with mild to severe mental health diagnoses.
- Familiarity with both delinquency and dependency courts.
- Ability to function both independently in the field and collaboratively in a team environment with high pace demands.
- Ability to establish effective and productive collaborative relationships with individuals representing various DMH bureaus, programs, and other County agencies and community-based organizations.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills; e.g. ability to present information in public settings, courtrooms, and produce accurate reports for dissemination to both branches of the juvenile justice system.

- Excellent organizational skills and the ability to function under pressure in a fast-paced and demanding environment.
- An awareness of current mental health resources.

Interested applicants currently holding the payroll title of Psychiatric Social Worker II should submit their resume, last two (2) performance evaluations, and last two (2) years of master time cards to:

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