Chartiers Community Mental Health and Retardation Center, Inc.

Chartiers is a non-profit organization that offers community mental health and retardation services for adolescents, adults and their families. A professional staff provides quality care for the prevention, treatment and education of mental illness. In addition to counseling services, Chartiers provides day programs and residential services.

Position: Mental Health Intern

Description: The student will be interning in the Mt. Lebanon Outpatient/Transitions Program which provides social rehabilitation and outpatient services to clients on a weekly basis. The mental health intern will work with staff to develop and implement necessary activities based on the needs of mental health consumers in an Outpatient Program. This would include completing an evaluation and assessment for the treatment of clients followed by interventions and activities relevant to the clients needs utilizing a group approach. The mental health intern may also have the opportunity to participate in interdisciplinary meetings to ensure the continuity of care for clients participating in the program. Interns will also be required to complete all required documentation involved with client services.

Skills: Interns should have knowledge of psychiatric disabilities, symptoms and treatment methods. It is also necessary to work effectively with co-workers and communicate clearly, both verbally and in writing. The intern should possess good judgment relevant to decisions that are in the best interest of the client. Master level students only, particularly students working on their MSW or Masters in Counseling.

Location: Mt. Lebanon, PA

Start Date: January 2015 (opportunity renewed each semester)

Hours: to coincide with required credit hours

Compensation: relevant field experience, non-paying

Requirements: Interested students are asked to submit a resume and written request (or email) outlining their program of study and required credit hours for the internship. An interview may follow with the site supervisor. If both parties agree it is a good placement an application process will follow and students will need to submit a current criminal clearance and proof of liability insurance.

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Position: Mental Health Intern in a Residential/Partial Hospitalization Setting

Description: This site, called the Residential Treatment Program (RTP), provides clients in crisis with an alternative to an emergency hospitalization. During their stay clients are required to participate in the therapeutic sessions provided by the Partial Hospitalization. The mental health intern will work with staff in the Partial Hospitalization Component that provides therapeutic interventions to the residents and individuals living in other supportive environments. In the Partial Hospitalization Program interns will assist staff with the treatment of clients followed by interventions and activities relevant to the clients needs utilizing a group approach. Interns will receive training in the areas of assessment, treatment planning, group and individual therapy and documentation.

Skills: Interns should have knowledge of psychiatric disabilities, symptoms and treatment methods. It is also necessary to work effectively with co-workers and communicate clearly, both verbally and in writing. The intern should have the ability to develop and implement specific services to residents based on their needs. Master level students only, particularly students working on their MSW or Masters in Counseling.

Location: Hickory Grade Rd., Bridgeville, PA

Start Date: January 2015 (opportunity renewed each semester)

Hours: to coincide with required credit hours

Compensation: relevant field experience, non-paying

Requirements: Interested students are asked to submit a resume and written request (or email) outlining their program of study and required credit hours for the internship. An interview may follow with the site supervisor. If both parties agree it is a good placement an application process will follow and students will need to have a TB test and submit a current criminal clearance and proof of liability insurance.

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