Mental Health Rehab Specialist/Mental Health Therapist- Adult Program

ABOUT GARDNER:
For nearly five decades, Gardner Health Services has provided exceptional health care to people of all ages, backgrounds, and life circumstances. In 1967, community members with help from the Stanford Medical School created a small clinic to meet the urgent health needs of local farm workers in the Alviso community. Since that time, Gardner has expanded in response to community needs, now providing medical, dental, vision, counseling, and substance abuse services to more than 55,000 Santa Clara County residents annually.

At Gardner, we know that having a place to go for regular medical care is crucial to keeping people healthy and reducing the cost of healthcare for taxpayers. Your support ensures Gardner can continue to provide comprehensive, high quality medical and mental health care to our most vulnerable community members.

MISSION STATEMENT:
Gardner is dedicated to improving the health status of the communities we serve, especially the disenfranchised, disadvantaged and most vulnerable members. Our mission is to provide high quality, comprehensive health care, including prevention and education, early intervention, treatment, and advocacy services which are affordable, respectful, culturally, linguistically and age appropriate.

MHRS/MHT ADULT PROGRAM – JOB DESCRIPTION:
Under general supervision of the Adult Program Supervisor, the M.H.T./MHRS provides assessments and related psycho-social services to adults. This position will be part of a multi-disciplinary team and performs the following job related duties:

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Performs psychiatric casework, counseling and treatment services with patients or clients, and their families.
- Evaluates problems presented and in the making of treatment and coordinate plans.
- May coordinate, participate, or conduct group therapy sessions.
- Maintain a patient charts in accordance to State, County and quality assurance guidelines.
- Establishes working relationships with other staff, public, and private agencies emphasizing continuity of patient care.
- May perform outreach, education, and mental health promotion.
- Interprets and explains social and emotional factors pertaining to illness to clients’ relatives and community groups.
- Will participate in on-call duty on a rotating basis.
Performs related work as required.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- The Mental Health Therapist position requires a Master’s degree plus registered with the CA Board of Behavioral Science (BBS) as MFTI or ASW and have obtained an effective Waiver of Licensure from the Santa Clara County Dept. of Mental Health.

- The Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist position requires a BA degree plus four years of relevant experience and/or AA degree plus 6 years experience and obtain a mental health rehabilitation specialist counselor certification from the County of Santa Clara.

- Knowledge of: Principles of psychiatric social work counseling and other related techniques; community resources in designated areas; required knowledge of DSM IV.

- Ability to: Apply casework skill effectively, establish and maintain effective working relationships; secure and record accurate and pertinent social personal data.

- Possession/or working on hours towards a valid clinical license (e.g. Social Work Marriage or Family Child Counselor) issued by the State of California. New hires must possess a State of California clinical license within four (4) years of completing postgraduate work.

- Strong time management and organizational skills.

- Effective problem solving skills.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Include the following on the subject line: Adult Program Job Opportunity
2. Include a cover letter with the following:
   a. Why are you interested in working for Gardner Family Care Corporation
   b. How does your previous work experience, skills, education, and career goals meet Gardner’s needs of an experienced Mental Health Therapist?
   c. According to you, what are the 3 most critical attributes and skills needed to be a successful Mental Health Therapist?
   d. What are your salary expectations?