

HopeGreyBruce Mental Health and Addictions Services

Requires a

Full-time Mental Health Counsellor

Location: Hanover

Our organization and three others have established a partnership that operates five multi-agency Community Mental Health Teams across Grey and Bruce Counties. The Teams include clinicians from several mental health programs. They provide a range of services for adults with serious mental illness, their families and people with acute problems. Our services are funded by the South West Local Health Integration Network.

We are inviting applications for a full-time mental health counsellor position with the Central Grey-Bruce Community Mental Health Team. The Team serves South Bruce and West Grey County and is based in Hanover. With supervision from the Team Leader, the counsellor will provide a variety of clinical services, with a focus on intake, assessment and brief counselling. The counsellor will work with a diversified caseload of adults with acute and/or long term serious mental health problems as well as with women who are survivors of sexual assault or childhood sexual abuse. The position requires regular travel within a rural catchment area. It is available immediately.

Qualifications:

- Master's Degree in Applied Health or Social Sciences majoring in clinical studies
- Must obtain and maintain membership in Professional College / Association
- Minimum three years recent and relevant clinical experience in mental health counselling for adults with serious mental illness and those with acute problems
- Advanced clinical skills and knowledge of relevant best practice guidelines
- Knowledge of the Mental Health Act, DSM IV diagnoses and pharmacology
- Understanding of mental illness and the principles of psychosocial rehabilitation
- Advanced proficiency in use of cognitive behaviour therapy, brief counseling and motivational interviewing
- Solid judgement, problem-solving and communication skills
- Strong team skills and ability to work well with community and professional groups
- Maturity, a good sense of humour and the ability to work well under pressure
- An understanding and appreciation of rural communities
- Proficiency in use of personal computers for email, data entry and word processing
- Must have a valid driver's licence and the use of a personal vehicle

Application Deadline: February 3, 2012

Interested applicants are invited to submit detailed résumés and salary expectations to:

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