POSITION: PSYCHIATRIST

PROGRAM: Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)

HOURS:
14-28 hours per week during business hours. Full-time may be possible with addition of hours in our PROS program or mental health clinics.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

The Guidance Center of Westchester, a not-for-profit agency serving Westchester County for 75 years, will soon launch a new Assertive Community Treatment Team providing mobile mental health, rehabilitation and support services throughout Westchester County to 68 seriously mentally ill adults. Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) is an evidence-based, mobile practice model designed to provide treatment, rehabilitation and support services to individuals living with a serious mental health condition and whose needs have not been effectively met by traditional mental health services.

ACT teams are multi-disciplinary and include psychiatry, nursing, social work, peer specialists and other staff members offering rehabilitation, treatment and recovery support services. The team provides expertise in the areas of housing, substance use and harm reduction, family support, employment, and wellness self-management. Team members collaborate to deliver comprehensive, integrated and flexible services that are responsive to a participant's choices, needs and goals. With a small staff to participant ratio, services are brought to the participant and offered in natural settings, 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

POSITION OVERVIEW:

The Psychiatrist serves as the medical leader for the ACT team. In conjunction with the Team Leader, the Psychiatrist has overall clinical responsibility for monitoring treatment and delivery of clinical services. The Psychiatrist conducts comprehensive psychiatric assessments, assists team members to develop holistic service plans in, monitors treatment and provides follow up visits. Care is coordinated with family and other community treatment providers to ensure whole person care for the participants. The psychiatrist actively participates in team meetings to evaluate risk and achievement of treatment goals as well as provide clinical supervision, education, and training of the ACT team members.
With support from the Team Leader, the Psychiatrist will develop and implement psychiatric and medical treatment policies and procedures including medication administration.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

Experience in community psychiatry, working with people with serious mental health conditions and co-occurring substance use disorders. Strong ability to engage clients in treatment. Commitment to person-centered treatment strategies, upholding participants' rights, and self-determination in service provision.

Currently licensed as a physician by the NYS Education Department and certified by, or be eligible to be certified by, the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Eligible for full and unconditional participation in the Medicaid and Medicare programs.

Excellent written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills. Demonstrated team experience. Ability to document clinical interactions in EMR.

Must be fingerprinted and cleared by the New York State Justice Center.

**SALARY:** Competitive and based on experience

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