

New Juvenile Facility Openings at Sheltering Arms!

Sheltering Arms creates a stable community while providing surrogate parenting in two residential homes for foster teens (ages 17-19). Additionally, Sheltering Arms operates four non-secure detention homes for youths and three non-secure placement homes for teenagers (ages 14-17) involved in the juvenile justice system. Within these supervised apartments, teens have the opportunity to practice and prepare for independent living.

We are currently taking applications for the below positions for three new facilities opening up in the Adolescent Residential Care Department! Please apply by e-mailing your resume to Kadeen Blake at blakek@e-s-s.org

- A) **Limited Secure Placement (LSP) Facility**- 12 bed female facility located on Bruner Avenue in Bronx, New York.
- B) **Intensive Support Placement (ISP)**- 8 bed facility with 30 day transition of teenagers in the program (either male or female) located on Bruner Avenue in Bronx, NY
- C) **Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) Placement Program**- 18 bed male facility located in Ozone Park, Queens.

Juvenile Supervisor- Weekend Part Time (Bronx Location)

The Supervisor maintains agency standards of quality care and service provision for the youth residing within the facility, by assuring that the Juvenile Counselors are compliant with the daily routine and structure of the facility during the shift of duty. The Supervisor supervises all Juvenile Counselor and Cook staff, their deployment and activities, upholding the daily programming, routines, discipline, program structure, and tone of the facility in accordance with the Integrated Treatment Model. The supervisor will be responsible for ensuring the supervision of all on-site staff and residents by upholding the rules, practicing confrontation techniques, and utilizing Safe Crisis Management techniques when necessary, and by mediating conflict, whether between staff or residents. The Supervisor will also be responsible for adhering to all ACS, DOE OCFS and agency regulations; attending necessary trainings; maintaining order, safety and security standards of the home; upholding daily living routines, schedules, and procedures through supporting Juvenile Counselor staff; managing peer groups, and participating in the planning/execution of educational and recreational activities. Other responsibilities include: documentation, including incident reports; maintaining/reviewing log books to ensure the accuracy; managing residents' behavior utilizing the principles of the Integrated Treatment Model; ensuring the cleanliness of the house through heavy cleaning and laundry; providing transportation for residents, including the scheduling and maintenance of agency vehicles; providing attention to and support of medical/educational/vocational needs, casework, clinical appointments, etc. **A High School Diploma + 5 Years of Experience working with Juvenile Populations is required; Bachelor's Degree strongly preferred. At least 1 year of experience in a supervisory, leadership, or administrative role.** Qualified applicants must be able to pass required Safe Crisis Management (SCM) training and pass recertification on an annual basis; be capable of travel to all of the five boroughs; and must exhibit excellent verbal and written communication skills, as well as a commitment to work from a strength based and youth development, and trauma-informed perspective, and a commitment to the mission and values of Sheltering Arms.

Physician Assistant or Nurse Practitioner

Under the medical supervision of the Pediatrician of LSP and under the guidance of the Director of Adolescent Residential Care, the Physician Assistant will provide health services to adolescents who are under

the Agency's care in LSP facilities. Responsibilities include; travel daily to Medical Clinic of assigned LSP to provide comprehensive and quality medical services to youth, monitor, record, and report symptoms or changes in patients' conditions for all health visits; where possible acquire and document new patient's medical history. Additional responsibilities include; Maintain accurate, detailed reports and records particularly those related to medication administration, conduct physical exams: preparing/giving immunizations, medications prescribed, and recording all information including vital signs, order, interpret, and evaluate diagnostic tests to identify and assess patient's condition; coordinates & tracks referrals to specialists, specialty clinics and other health care services as needed; modify patient treatment plans as indicated by patients' responses and conditions; follow up on lab work, appointments and referrals for specialists for a specified caseload; perform pre and post test HIV counseling; application of EKG testing and interpretation; consult and coordinate with other staff members to assess, plan, implement, or evaluate patient care plans and being a central part of emergency/after-hours call schedules. Requirements: Current and valid New York State PA licensure & certification, Bachelor's Degree required and two or more years experience working in pediatrics; prior work with adolescents and/or detention populations heavily preferred.

MST Therapist (Bronx Location)

MST-FIT (Multi-systemic Therapy- Family Integrated Transitions) is an adaption of standard MST that provides intensive family and community based treatment that addresses the multiple determinants of serious antisocial behavior in juvenile delinquents and offenders. The MST Therapist will conduct MST-FIT assessment including review of referral information, identifying and engaging key participants, identifying systemic strengths and weaknesses, and developing an analysis of the fit of problem behaviors within the ecological context. They will engage primary caregiver and other key participants, including staff at the designated placement (juvenile detention center) in active change-oriented treatment by identifying and overcoming barriers to engagement. Other responsibilities include; support facility staff with the implementation of Dialectical Behavioral Therapy and other treatment aspects that are initiated in facility and collaborate with the facility staff to have regular youth-family contact as part of the initial treatment; implement a problem conceptualization, treatment planning, intervention implementation and outcome review and strategy revision procedure using the MST analytical process. Maintain clear and concise documentation of treatment efforts that promote peer and supervisory review and feedback, and that demonstrate compliance with the 9 MST principals and the MST analytical process as well as DBT concepts and MI strategy. A Masters Degree in a New York State Licensable degree (incl. LMSW, LCSW, PhD, PsyD, LMFT, LMHC) preferred. Preferred clinical experience in: Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT), Family systems theory, Social ecological theory, Cognitive-behavioral theory and Behavioral therapies. **Bilingual Spanish Preferred.**

Case Planner (Queens Location)

The Case Planner provides comprehensive case management services for all youth who reside in the Limited-Secure Placement facility and their families. Case Planners must be comfortable working with youth and families in the context of the facility, the office and in the community of origin. Responsibilities include; development of a comprehensive service plan for each youth and the youth's family or other adult resource. The service plan will be completed in collaboration with the team members, and with the youth and their adult resources in the Family Team Conference. Work with team, the youth and the family to develop a discharge planning process as part of the service plan; provides case management services to youth and families in order to connect them to community resources and support. Responsible for meeting all ACS, OCFS, and Department of Education mandates; support the principles of the Integrated Treatment Model with the goal of teaching the young people to make positive, lasting changes in their behavior. Other responsibilities include; Implement creative strategies for involving family members in the service planning process; maintain efficacious working relationships with staff involved in the service planning and provision process: Juvenile Specialists, Mental Health Therapist, Educational Personnel, Court and Legal Representatives, Medical Personnel, etc; attends court hearings, and prepare reports as required to be submitted before and at the hearing. A Bachelor's Degree in Social Work or related field required; strong knowledge of ACS mandates; prior experience working NSD or NSP population, a plus. 2+ years experience

in Case Management for Child Welfare and advanced knowledge of CNNX required. **Bilingual Spanish Preferred.**

Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner (Queens Location)

The Certified Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner is responsible for the provision of comprehensive psychiatric care to youth in the Limited Secure Placement program. They will maintain the standards from the Administration of Children's Services, the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and the Council on Accreditation to enhance performance and quality services. Participates in training, and is knowledgeable of the Integrated Treatment Model, Think Trauma, and STAIR-A models, as well as all relevant procedures and protocols relevant to staff conduct within LSP facilities. Responsibilities include; reviews all data and other reports of IS program to assure knowledgeable and comprehensive treatment recommendations, and timely delivery of psychiatric reports, provide psychotherapeutic intervention including psychopharmacologic management and monitoring, clinical consultation with internal and external health and mental health practitioners. Other responsibilities include; interdisciplinary training for staff, clients, parents, and foster parents as assigned, direct clinical consultation for routine and crisis management for assigned population, clinical liaison with internal and external health and mental health practitioners, document all service provision as required, and assist with appropriate referrals to internal/external ancillary mental health practitioners. A Current NYS RN and NP Licenses is required and current certification by Psychiatric Nursing certification body, e.g. NAPNAP. An ideal candidate will possess excellent written and verbal communication skills, minimum 2 years clinical experience in providing psychiatric care, computer proficiency, including Microsoft Excel, knowledge of or experience in Juvenile Justice or similar pediatric populations, and ability to work flexible hours.