

# STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

## MARY STARKE HARPER GERIATRIC PSYCHIATRY CENTER

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY-REVISED

**JOB TITLE:** Mental Health LPN I

**OPEN DATE:** 12/1/2023

(Health Information Management)

**CLOSE DATE:** Until Filled

**JOB LOCATION:** Mary Starke Harper

NUMBER: 23-14

Geriatric Psychiatry Center

**JOB CODE:** N1000

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

#### **SALARY**

• Range 70 (\$37,612.80 – \$62,894.40 Annually).

• Salary will be commensurate with experience. Limitations apply to current state employees.

## **BENEFITS**

- 12 paid holidays.
- 1 personal leave day accrued each January.
- 13 sick leave days.
- 13 annual leave days accrued in the first year of employment.
- Longevity bonus annually after 5 years of employment.
- Continuous opportunities for acquiring CE's needed for maintaining professional license.
- Very low-cost health and dental insurance through the <u>Alabama State Employee Insurance</u> Board.
- Defined retirement benefit (not impacted by economic downturns) and a pre-retirement death benefit through the Retirement Systems of Alabama.
  - After 1 year, the minimum amount of the pre-retirement death benefit paid to your designated beneficiary is at least equal to your current or previous fiscal year annual salary.

#### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

 Standard High School graduation and graduation from a state-approved school of practical nurse education.

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

• Possession of a certificate of registration as a Practical Nurse issued by the Alabama Board of Nursing.

## KIND OF WORK

- Responsible for monitoring, assessing, and reviewing geriatric patients' cases for admission.
- Responsible for reviewing records for timeliness and completeness of documentation in geriatric
  patients' hospital records in accordance with JCAHO and other accrediting agencies.

- Conducts medical record reviews for the purpose of certification for admission/continued stay of geriatric patients, in accordance with established guidelines.
- Conducts clinical pertinence reviews of patient's medical records for timeliness of documentation of clinical services based on established indicators to maintain compliance with regulating agencies.
- Makes case referrals for geriatric patients per established UR Plan guidelines, working with attending physicians and external reviews as needed.
- Maintains schedules and information systems which assure timely reviews of geriatric patients' certification for admission/continued stay, so that established time intervals are met.
- Compiles and processes UR and medical record documentation data on geriatric patients.
- Develops record analysis and reports to hospital committees.

## REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- Ability to maintain accurate records and follow through with responsibilities and assignments independently.
- Knowledge and ability to review clinical documentation and make appropriate decisions regarding the appropriateness of documentation.
- Ability to assess the medical necessity of admission of geriatric patients, treatment, and their continued stay.
- Knowledge of and ability to apply established UR and Medical Records documentation standards and practices.
- Knowledge of appropriate criteria for measuring quality of care as it relates to applicable compliance standards (Medicare, Medicaid, TJC, etc.).
- Ability to identify problem areas and effectively resolve them.
- Ability to communicate and resolve issues effectively and appropriately with hospital employees.
- Ability to provide detailed assessment of patient documentation.

## METHOD OF SELECTION

- Applicants will be rated based on an evaluation of their job-related training, abilities, experience, and education, and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications as mentioned above.
- All relevant information is subject to verification.
- Drug screening and security clearances will be conducted on prospective applicants being given serious consideration for employment whose job requires direct contact with patients.

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Only work experience detailed on the application will be considered. Applications should be submitted by the deadline to be considered. Announcements open until filled will remain open until a sufficient applicant pool is obtained. Applications should be submitted as soon as possible to ensure the application will be considered for the position. Copies of License/Certifications should be uploaded with your application. A copy of the academic transcript is required. Appointment of successful candidate will be conditional based on receipt of the official transcript provided by the school, college, or university.