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MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES**

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SARATOGA COUNTY ADDICTION SERVICES is seeking a part time nurse practitioner. This is an opportunity be a part of a vibrant, creative team and well respected substance abuse treatment program. This is a "CONTRACT" position. This position does **NOT fall under the jurisdiction of Saratoga County Civil Service Rules and Regulations or any Union Contract. Incumbent will work directly from an established Contract with the Saratoga County Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.**

Job functions include:

Psychiatric assessment and treatment: This provider will meet with patients of our outpatient addiction treatment program who have been identified as having a mental health diagnosis or a concern about mental health symptoms. This provider will gather relevant history, assess symptoms and prescribe medications as appropriate. This provider will have discretion as to how often to follow up with patients and will be allotted ample time, generally one hour for assessments and 30 minutes for follow up sessions.

Medication Assisted Treatment: This provider will assess patients who struggle with relapse, urges and cravings and prescribe, when deemed appropriate certain medications to support addiction recovery. These include Buprenorphine, Naltrexone, Vivitrol and potentially others.

This provider must be willing to perform injections of Vivitrol when prescribed and perform any other injections that emerge in addictions treatment.

This provider will work with the Program Coordinator and Medical Director to ensure that any controlled substances are being prescribed carefully, and with special attention to the characteristics of the population and their potential to abuse or divert medication.

Health Assessments: This provider will work with the Program Coordinator and Medical Director to ensure that regulatory requirements are met regarding assessing patient health status, referring to healthcare services and encouraging patient follow through. In addition, this provider will act as the Health Coordinator, ensuring that patients have access to infectious and sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment. This will include face to face, noninvasive meetings with individual patients to assess their health status. Beyond regulations, this provider will have the opportunity to craft a plan for encouraging the good health of our patients, potentially including individual or group work around health topics.

Multidisciplinary Team: This provider will participate in team meetings, collaborating with various other providers to ensure quality, comprehensive care. This provider will receive clinical supervision from a psychiatrist with decades of experiences in psychiatry and addiction medicine.

Qualifications:

This provider must be a licensed Nurse Practitioner with experience in the assessment of psychiatric disorders and the provision of psychiatric treatment.

This provider must be familiar with addiction disorders and willing to learn from the expertise of the treatment team as to the broad concerns and particular issues of our patients.

This provider must demonstrate patience and care and concern for our patient population and an investment in the mission of promoting substance abuse recovery.

This provider must have a DATA 2000 Waiver or must obtain one before the position begins.

A Nurse Practitioner with less than 36,000 hours of experience will be supervised by a Cooperating Physician, in this case the Medical Director of the Program. Supervision will be provided at least monthly and as often as weekly. More frequent consultations will be available as needed.

Interested candidates may direct questions, letters of interest and resume to the following:

Saratoga County Mental Health and Addition Services
Attention: Megan Johnson, Deputy Commissioner
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