

## **Clinical Services Advocate- Provisionally Licensed Counselor or Social Worker - PLPC or LMSW**

The 22nd Judicial Circuit-Juvenile Division seeks applicants for a Clinical Service Advocate. Must possess a Master's degree in Social Work, Counseling or Psychology. Degree must be from an accredited school in the chosen field. Requires excellent written and oral communication skills and the ability to interact comfortably with detention personnel responsible for the daily care of the detained youth.

**This position provides an excellent opportunity for recently graduated candidates or any qualified candidate who wants to work toward full licensure as a PLPC;** Supervision is provided internally and free of charge for PLPC Candidates. Applicants are required to obtain board approval for provisional licensed within 90 days of employment. Also accepting LMSW applicants with outside supervision (supervision is not provided for LMSW candidates).

Salary range is **\$63,440 - \$81,689 (with Missouri License) or \$55,354 - \$71,286 (with Provisional License)**. Please email cover letter, resume and academic transcript to: [stlca.resumes@courts.mo.gov](mailto:stlca.resumes@courts.mo.gov) See [www.stlcitycircuitcourt.com](http://www.stlcitycircuitcourt.com) and click on Employment Opportunities for complete job description. EOE.

### **TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MISSOURI**

#### **JOB DESCRIPTION**

**DEPARTMENT:** Psychological Services (320)

**CLASS TITLE:** Clinical Service Advocate  
**Schedule: 8-hour workday/40 hours per week/11:00 am - 7:30 pm  
Sunday to Thursday or Tuesday to Saturday**

**Shift differential is paid for weekend, evening and holiday coverage. This shift differential pay is in addition to base salary, based on schedule worked, and is not reflected in the salary referenced below.**

**SALARY RANGE:** **\$63,440 – \$81,689 (with Missouri License)**  
**\*\*\*A 3% salary increase will be awarded following successful completion of a 6-month probationary period.**

**\$55,354 - \$71,286 (with Provisional License)**  
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**Funded by the Mental Health Board  
Includes Full Benefit Package plus no cost retirement plan.**

**REPORTS TO:** Unit Psychologist

**CLASS DEFINITION:** Under day to day supervision of the Unit Psychologist, the Clinical Service Advocate works as part of a clinical team that provides intensive mental health services to youth admitted to the Detention Center. All services are provided within the secure Detention Center/Family Court facility.

**JOB DUTIES**

- Provide clinical counseling services to clients with a focus on those affected by trauma. Includes individual and group therapeutic interventions.
- Develops specific behavior modification treatment plans.
- Provides mental health and psychiatry screening, referral and internal coordination of psychiatric services.
- Conducts mental health intakes and assessments to evaluate behavioral and emotional issues and provide ongoing mental health services including crisis intervention, short-term counseling and ongoing therapy.
- Provide crisis management, de-escalation services, and safety planning when indicated.
- Formulate behavior management plans and coordinate with the Psychological Services Unit, Medical Unit, Psychiatry Services and Detention staff for youth with more severe behavioral and/or mental health needs.
- Work with youth in the Comfort Room to teach skills for self-regulation when appropriate.
- Supports and/or direct care coordination efforts for patients returning to the community requiring ongoing behavioral health services.
- Participates in team and staffing meetings.
- Assists in planning and implementing the goals and objectives of programs and projects. May direct special projects as requested.
- Maintains professional documentation, including progress notes, etc.
- Completes all required training, including any training hours required by professional licensure board.
- Other Duties as assigned.

**KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:** This position requires well-developed clinical interviewing skills that will be used in the clinical assessment and delivery of treatment services to the youth in our facility. Requires excellent written and oral communication skills and the

ability to interact comfortably with detention personnel responsible for the daily care of the detained youth. Experience working with adolescents who have come in contact with the juvenile justice system and have experienced high levels of trauma, often presenting with severe emotional and/or behavioral needs, preferred. This position works from a Trauma-Informed Care framework and provides a unique and valuable working and learning opportunity for a candidate interested in working on a multi-disciplinary team and engaging youth through innovative and evidence-based treatment approaches. The position is designed to provide maximum coverage and requires some early evening and partial weekend coverage. Requires performing regular duties in a secure institutional setting subject to constant video surveillance for purposes of security and the welfare of the detained youth.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:** This position provides an excellent opportunity for recently graduated candidates or any qualified candidate who wants to work toward full licensure as a PLPC; Supervision is provided internally and free of charge for PLPC Candidates. Applicants are required to obtain board approval for provisional licensed within 90 days of employment. Also accepting LMSW applicants with outside supervision (supervision is not provided for LMSW candidates).

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