

# Essex County Announces

## A vacancy for the position of PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER TRAINEE

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Essex County is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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[www.co.essex.ny.us/jobs.asp](http://www.co.essex.ny.us/jobs.asp)

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**VACANCY:** *Essex County Department of Mental Health*

**SALARY:** \$22.70/HR.

**\*\*Current employees hired PRIOR to 2009, please contact the Personnel Office for rate of pay\*\***

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** Under the immediate supervision of a Psychiatric Social Worker the work involves responsibility for learning the principles and practices of psychiatric social work as adapted to an integrated team approach in a psychiatric clinic setting involving the examination, diagnosis and treatment of patients. Emphasis is placed on the integrated team approach. The incumbent takes part in and receives training in intake, casework, and the interpretation of clinic psychiatric social work to community organizations. Assignments are in accordance with the stage of the trainee's development. Supervision over personnel may be assigned as development warrants. The incumbent does related work as required.

**This is a trainee position in the competitive class. Candidates are selected on the basis of college graduation and completion of a minimum of thirty (30) graduate credit hours in a school of Social Work, Mental Health Counseling, Psychology, Human Services, or related field. During the training period the incumbent is required to either:**

- A. Graduate from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Master's Degree in Social Work and become licensed as a Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) or as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) by the New York State Education Department; or
- B. Graduate from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Master's degree in Mental Health Counseling, Psychology, Human Services or related field and become licensed as Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC) or with a Limited Permit to Practice Mental Health Counseling by the New York State Education Department.
- C. Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Master's Degree in Marriage and Family Therapy and become licensed as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) by the New York State Education Department

The appointment may be terminated if the trainee does not show the personal stability, cooperation, interest and the ability to acquire the knowledge and develop the skills required of Psychiatric Social Workers. Trainee appointments are for a period of one (1) year, following which incumbents receiving satisfactory rating will be advanced to the title of Psychiatric Social Worker without further examination.

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**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Graduation with a Bachelor's Degree from a regionally accredited college majoring in Human Services and completion of thirty (30) graduate credit hours in a school of Social Work, Mental Health Counseling, Psychology, or related field at a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university.

***LAST DATE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT IS  
NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021***

**QUALIFIED CANDIDATES WILL BE SUBJECT TO A CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION TO BE ANNOUNCED AT A LATER DATE. APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL THE ANNOUNCED CLOSING DATE FOR THE EXAMINATION. PERSONS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT WITH ESSEX COUNTY SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO DRUG AND ALCOHOL SCREENING/TESTING, PRE-EMPLOYMENT PHYSICAL, AND ADDITIONALLY MAY BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO A FINGERPRINT BACKGROUND CHECK DEPENDING UPON SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS OF THE POSITION.  
FOR APPLICATIONS AND INFORMATION, CONTACT THE ESSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND CIVIL SERVICE, ELIZABETHTOWN, NY 12932.**

**11/10/2021**