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## Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)

Western Youth Services is a leading expert in children's mental health and wellness solutions. As a hub of children's mental health in Orange County, we've been providing services and programs for our community for over 50 years. Our passionate and dedicated staff deliver services and programs that prevent, treat and heal our kids and families and increase their ability to live full and productive lives. If this sounds like you, and you meet the qualifications for this position, please send us your resume.

The Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner performs comprehensive psychiatric evaluations, diagnosis, medication management, evaluation, and on-going treatment of clients with mental health conditions with physician supervision. The PMHNP ensures that Agency goals and objectives are achieved while conducting, leading, managing, and evaluating medical services to ensure that contractual obligations and client expectations are met. This position is responsible for ensuring medical services are compliant with all legal and licensure requirements and professional medical standards.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Functions as a Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner in examining, managing, and treating WYS Clients' psychiatric needs with minimal physician supervision.
- Performs physical exams, comprehensive psychiatric, psychosocial, and developmental assessments, takes histories, obtains objective data and assesses clinical status of clients.
- Recognizes, initiates interventions, and manages episodic or chronic psychiatric conditions.
- Works under written standardized protocols for NPs.
- Uses a comprehensive approach to clinical and diagnostic assessment and client care.
- Responsible for accurate and timely documentation to include the psychiatric assessment, med/somatic progress notes and treatment plans medication consent forms, medication orders, and managed care outpatient treatment reports.
- Screens charts and laboratory results for reports Consults with supervising physician about client's condition when appropriate.
- Refers clients to appropriate specialty referral in consultation with supervising physician.
- Follows up to ensure treatment is delivered as ordered and to ensure continuity of care.
- Provides direct teaching to patients, identifies education needs of staff.
- Participates actively in clinic team meetings.
- Develops and promotes quality health care delivery through professional development.
- Performs other related duties as required.

#### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- Master's degree in nursing and attainment of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) certification.
- Minimum one year of relevant professional experience in the psychiatric field working with a variety of mental health conditions with children, youth and their families, and one year of relevant experience with child and adolescent pediatric psychopharmacology.
- Current DEA Registration Number
- Possession of a current, valid CPR certificate is required.
- Current knowledge of drug and treatment protocols common to ambulatory care.
- Able to communicate clearly, verbally and in writing, with a variety of audiences, and willing to represent the Agency within the medical/health-care community.
- Proficient and accurate in computer use, including Microsoft Office suite.
- Knowledge of Trauma Informed Care principles preferred.

**Benefits:** Comprehensive employee benefits package includes: Medical, Dental, Vision, Life Insurance, Long Term Disability and 403(b) Retirement Incentive & Savings Plan.

# Western Youth Services' Mission: Advancing awareness, cultivating success, and strengthening communities through integrated mental health services for children, youth, and families.

Western Youth Services (WYS) is an Equal Opportunity Employer and seeks to recruit and retain a diverse workforce. WYS values and promotes a culture of inclusivity and belonging, one that embraces the contributions of richly diverse disciplines and perspectives of all employees and staff.