

**ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**VACANCY NOTICE**

**TITLE OF POSITION: Social Services Clinical Specialist (Provisional)**

**LOCATION: Child Protective Services**

**SALARY RANGE: \$43,564 – \$57,165**

The work involves responsibility for providing specialized diagnostic assessment in complex cases and in the investigation, diagnosis, assessment and formulation of treatment plans for children and families. The work is carried out in accordance with established procedures, however, wide leeway is allowed for independent action and programming. The work is performed under the general supervision of a higher ranking administrator. Does related work as required.

**Must meet the following qualifications (updated as of Aug 2015):**

Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Master's degree in Social Work and three years of experience\* providing social casework services to children and families in a public or private agency adhering to acceptable standards in social work.

\*NOTE 1: Acceptable experience should include the following:

- 1) Responsibility for making diagnostic assessments of individual and family situations;
- 2) Determining or participating in the determination of case pathology or risk;
- 3) Formulating treatment plans; and
- 4) Implementing treatment services such as individual counseling, group therapy, or child play therapy.

Such experience must have been acquired in practice settings such as psychiatric clinics serving children and families, child guidance clinics, or social agencies operated under the mandates of the New York State Department of Social Services, or certified by the Child Welfare League of America or Family Service Society, Inc.

NOTE 2: Verifiable part-time and/or volunteer experience will be pro-rated toward meeting full-time experience requirements.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- a. Eligibility for a New York State Driver's License at the time of application. Possession of the license and use of a private automobile required at time of appointment and throughout period of employment.
- b. Section 424-a of the Social Services Law requires the local social services district to inquire of whether the applicant is the subject of an indicated report of child abuse or maltreatment on file with the State Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment.
- c. All potential employees for this position will be requested to sign the necessary clearance form prior to being advised that they will be hired. Refusal to sign will be cause for an automatic non-selection.

\*Please note that this position is a competitive civil service title and requires that you take a civil service examination in the future. After the exam, selection for permanent appointment(s) will be made from reachable candidate(s) on the eligible list according to the NYS Civil Service Rule of Three.

If interested and meet the above qualifications, please forward resume to:

Ms. Sharon Rochelle First Deputy Commissioner of Social Services,

95 Franklin Street Room 806 Buffalo, NY 14202 or [Sharon.Rochelle@erie.gov](mailto:Sharon.Rochelle@erie.gov) EOE

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