THE NAVAJO NATION
Department of Personnel Management
JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

REQUISITION NO:	**DOH07212497**	DATE POSTED:	**09/12/16**
POSITION NO:	**941886**	CLOSING DATE:	**09/30/16**
POSITION TITLE:	**Principal Substance Abuse Counselor**		
DEPARTMENT NAME / WORKSITE:	**DOH/Department of Behavioral Health Services/Shiprock, NM**		

WORK DAYS:	Monday-Friday	REGULAR FULL TIME:	☑		GRADE/STEP:	AB65A-F
WORK HOURS:	40	PART TIME:	☐	NO. OF HRS./WK.:	$ *DOE	PER ANNUM
		SEASONAL:	☐	DURATION :	$ *DOE	PER HOUR
		TEMPORARY:	☐			

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Determines appropriate counseling techniques such as traditional healing therapy, psychotherapy, group therapy, family therapy, etc. to meet the treatment and prognostic needs of patient; implements appropriate treatment modalities to help patient and family work toward a healthy functioning family; establishes with patient immediate and long-term goals, objectives and procedures.

Monitors patient care through case management principles; provides appropriate crisis intervention; maintains case records in accordance with substance abuse and mental health standards; maintains written documentation of treatment activities.

Arranges transportation for patient and their families to residential treatment centers; participates in case consultation with clinical/medical staff; promotes patient advocacy to appropriate resources based on the needs of the patient; participates in Clinical Utilization Review meetings and other case staffing; attends meetings and trainings.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: (Education, Experience and Training)

Minimum Qualifications:

- A Bachelor's degree in Chemical Dependency, Behavioral Health, Counseling or related field; and two (2) years of clinical counseling

Special Requirements:

- A favorable background investigation. ***(If selected for the position, tribal, federal and state background checks must be completed prior to employment at the applicant's expense.)***
- Must possess a valid State or National Counseling License in Chemical Addiction (LADAC/LISAC or comparable).
- Possess a valid state driver's license.

(To receive full credit for education, certification, or licensure, transcripts, copies of degrees, certificates, and other appropriate documents must be submitted along with employment application.)

Special Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Knowledge of the 12 core functions of counseling substance abuse patients; knowledge of the principles and practices of the counseling profession; knowledge of traditional behavioral techniques used in diagnosing patient problems; knowledge of social and legal issues involved in substance abuse; knowledge of applicable Navajo Nation, federal, state and local laws statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, policies and procedures.

Skill in establishing and maintaining confidential records; skill in selecting appropriate counseling methods such as traditional healing therapy, psychotherapy, family therapy, etc.; skill in communicating effectively in both oral and written form; skill in interacting with clients from various social, economic, cultural, spiritual, and psychological backgrounds; and skill in developing and implementing therapeutic techniques for substance abuse patients.

Ability to use computers (familiarity with clinical software usage).

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