CEDAR Clinic — Brookline Center for Community Mental Health

Clinician (LICSW or Licensed Psychologist) for Innovative CEDAR Program

We are seeking an independently licensed social worker (LICSW) licensed psychologist for a full-time (1.0 FTE) position at The Brookline Center for Community Mental Health. This exciting position combines work at the Center’s groundbreaking CEDAR Clinic and at the Center’s main location. The CEDAR Clinic is one of the state’s leading centers for evaluation and treatment of young people aged 12-30 and their families who are at high risk for developing psychosis. CEDAR provides these youth and their families comprehensive evaluation, family support and education, coaching, and evidence-based treatment strategies to improve functioning and decrease vulnerability to psychosis.

At the CEDAR Clinic (.6 FTE), the clinician will be a member of the core clinical team, focusing on evaluation and treatment of teens and young adults experiencing high risk for psychosis (CHR-P). They will provide comprehensive clinical assessments and consultations, individual, family, and group treatment, and supervision of graduate students. At The Brookline Center (.4 FTE), the clinician will provide individual and group treatment to the Center diverse population of children, adults, and families.

The clinician serving in this role will receive specialized training in assessing risk for psychosis, DSM-V diagnoses, and social and role functioning as well as specialized treatment for youth at CHR-P (including CBT, acceptance and commitment therapy, and family focused treatment). This includes training in administering the Structured Interview for Psychosis Risk Syndromes (SIPS), and the Structured Clinical Interview for the DSM-V (SCID) and other clinic and research assessments. Additional educational opportunities in the emerging science of early intervention for psychosis and major mental illness are available on a regular basis.

The Brookline Center for Community Mental Health is a leading Massachusetts provider of mental health care and community-based social services; a sought-after placement for training clinicians; and a partner to more than 50 agencies working to improve the wellbeing of our community’s most at-risk and vulnerable populations. The Brookline Center offers outstanding, affordable care to all who need us no matter their ability to pay, helping individuals, children, and families lead healthier, safer, and fuller lives while building a stronger community for all.

The CEDAR clinic is a satellite clinic of The Brookline Center. CEDAR is staffed by interdisciplinary team that includes psychology, psychiatry, nursing and trainees from different disciplines. The CEDAR clinic and CHR-P research programs see youth and families that are richly diverse in ethnicity/culture, race, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, and clinical presentation.
We are actively interested in ensuring that The Brookline Center for Community Mental Health represents a range of experiences and backgrounds. Qualified candidates with diverse racial, cultural, multilingual, religious, class, and/or gender background, and experiences are strongly encouraged to apply.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Conduct and supervise specialized intakes and consultations; provide feedback and psychoeducation to youth, families, and community providers
- Provide individual, family and group treatment to CEDAR clients
- Participate in training and seminars at CEDAR and in community settings
- Participate in ongoing research activities at the CEDAR Clinic
- Supervise treatment provided by trainees and other staff
- Provide individual and family and care coordination with members of the CEDAR team and external providers

Qualifications for position:

- At least two years of relevant experience, either in a research setting or in clinical work with youth with major mental health issues or psychotic illnesses. The ideal candidate will have experience working with adolescents and their families, an understanding of psychological disorders, and familiarity with Boston-area youth services and schools.
- Strong verbal, organizational, and writing skills, attention to detail and ability to write clearly and complete collateral work in a timely manner.
- Commitment to cultural humility when working with youth and families that are richly diverse in culture and background, sexual orientation, gender identity, race, religion, socioeconomic status, ability, etc.
- Fluency in another language (e.g., Spanish) is a plus.

Hours, Benefits and Reimbursement: This a full-time salaried position, 40 hours/week including two evenings/week. Excellent benefits package, vacation, health and dental insurance, and extensive clinical supervision from senior clinicians. Salary is commensurate with experience.

Equal employment opportunity

The Brookline Center is an equal opportunity employer, committed to workplace diversity. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or veteran status.