

MENTAL HEALTH CAPACITY EVALUATOR

All Independent Contractors hired by the Oneida County Department of Mental Health (OCDMH) as part-time Consultants to serve as a Mental Health Capacity Evaluator are Professional Staff as defined by the **State of New York Official Compilation of Codes, Rules & Regulations §587.4** (see nysomh.com).

Professional Staff are licensed practitioners qualified by credentials, training and experience to provide supervision and direct service related to the treatment of mental illness. **The following titles will be given special preference:**

1. *Social worker* is an individual who is either currently licensed as a licensed master social worker or as a licensed clinical social worker by the New York State Education Department or has a master's degree in social work from a program approved by the New York State Education Department.
2. *Registered professional nurse* is an individual who is currently licensed as a registered nurse by the New York State Education Department.
3. *Psychologist* is an individual who is currently licensed as a psychologist by the New York State Education Department. Individuals who have obtained at least a master's degree in psychology qualify for this title.

Other professional disciplines may be included as Professional Staff when individuals in such disciplines have specified training or experience in the treatment of individuals diagnosed with mental illness.

Case referrals are received via the Oneida County Office for the Aging & Continuing Care. Consequently, for this particular position, **special preference will also be given to applicants with specialized training and experience in geriatrics and working with the elderly.**

Duties and responsibilities shall include:

- Conduct face-to-face interview with Referent within one week of assignment or as soon as possible
- Review all available case record documentation
- Contact known treatment team members and other collaterals for input
- Complete and submit Mental Health Capacity Evaluation, including recommended follow up, to OCDMH in a timely manner
- Ongoing case consultation with OCDMH Director of Mental Health Services
- Participate in post-evaluation case-related legal proceedings, as warranted
- Provide training to program staff upon request

The rate of pay for this position is \$30.00 per hour. All Independent Contractors hired as part-time Consultants for this position will receive no County benefits or entitlements.

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