COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
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MEDICAL DIRECTOR
SAN DIEGO COUNTY PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL
Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services
Anticipated Hiring Range $210,000 to $231,940
Excellent Benefits Package

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The San Diego County Psychiatric Hospital (SDCPH) is seeking a full-time **Medical Director**. This is a key leadership role in our very physician-friendly, dynamic Behavioral Health system. The facility includes an inpatient unit and a very busy psychiatric emergency unit. The County of San Diego has partnered with the University of California, San Diego, to develop a Community Psychiatry Fellowship and teaching opportunities will be available, though the facility does not do research. As a Medical Director, you will perform limited direct clinical care and have significant responsibility for formulating policy and for managing the overall activities of the SDCPH.

**THE IDEAL CANDIDATE**

BHS is seeking a dynamic, independent, and innovative leader in order to successfully manage the SDCPH.

The ideal candidate for this division will have proven administrative, leadership and supervisory skills, and a "big picture" orientation to help us evolve our entire system. Candidates with a demonstrated ability to make critical clinical and personnel decisions under pressure, and who can provide clear and forceful supervision to other physicians are highly desirable.

The ideal candidate will also possess a professional history that demonstrates the following leadership competencies and attributes:

- Stimulates and actively initiates change in organization
- Remains optimistic and persistent, even under adversity
- Carefully considers implications and impact of decisions across time and on others
- Effectively manages conflict situations via leading by example
- Mentors and coaches direct reports
- Builds and supports mutually beneficial relationships with other HHSA divisions, outside organizations, associations, and community contacts

Please click [here](#) for additional information on the job classification for Medical Director.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Qualifying candidates will possess a valid license to practice medicine in the State of California; AND,
2. Graduation from an accredited medical school and completion of a three (3) year residency in psychiatry; AND,
3. A certificate from the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in psychiatry; AND,
4. Three (3) years of progressively responsible experience as a Psychiatrist, one (1) year of which must have included management experience planning, directing, and coordinating the activities of a psychiatric hospital or other facility that provides multi-disciplinary medical and mental health care.

**COMPENSATION**

The anticipated hiring range for this position will be $210,000 to $231,940. Placement within this range is dependent upon the qualifications of the successful candidate. Annual salary reviews are performance-based and goal-oriented.

**BENEFITS**

- In addition to base salary incumbents may receive: 10% premium for relevant board certification and 5% premium for relevant sub-specialty certification
- Fifteen days of paid vacation, thirteen days of paid sick leave, and thirteen paid holidays.
- Medical, dental, and vision insurance plans.
- Disability Insurance, Life Insurance, and Accidental Death/Dismemberment Insurance.
- Flexible Management Benefit Package – a monthly credit may be used to select benefits from a group of options.
- Defined benefit retirement program.
- Reciprocity with other governmental retirement systems may be granted; for further information, the website for the San Diego County Employees Retirement System can be accessed here
- May be eligible for relocation allowance.
- Deferred Compensation Program (457) and 401(a) plans.
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Behavioral Health Services (BHS) Division provides mental health and alcohol or other drug services for children, youth, families, adults, and older adults.

BHS promotes recovery and well-being through prevention, treatment, and intervention, as well as integrated services for clients experiencing both mental illness and alcohol or other drug issues. Services are offered through contracted providers and County-operated facilities. Behavioral Health Services (BHS) serves as the local Mental Health Plan for delivery of services to Medi-Cal recipients, and also serves the medically indigent who neither qualifies for public assistance nor have sufficient private resources for needed care. The latter population would be unserved were it not for Behavioral Health Services. BHS provides a continuum of mental health and alcohol and other drug services for all ages to over 68,000 individuals, promoting recovery and well-being through prevention, treatment, and intervention, as well as integrated services for clients experiencing co-occurring mental illness and alcohol and/or other drug issues. Major initiatives of BHS include integration with primary care, stigma reduction, and developing a trauma-informed system.

BHS provides treatment services under two primary systems of care: The Adult/Older Adult System of Care and the Children, Youth and Families System of Care. In addition, the Prevention and Planning Unit provides prevention services for all ages. For clients requiring hospitalization, Inpatient Health Services provides services at the San Diego County Psychiatric Hospital which provides inpatient psychiatric care for over 5,700 individuals, and at the Edgemoor Distinct Part Skilled Nursing Facility (DPSNF) which provides services for over 190 seriously injured and/or disabled individuals who meet program criteria. In order to deliver these critical services, BHS has 789 staff, including medical professionals, and a budget of $441 million that includes payments made to providers for care.

THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

The mission of the County of San Diego is to provide the residents of San Diego County with superior County services in terms of quality, timeliness, and value in order to improve the region’s Quality of Life.

- The County covers 4,261 square miles, extending 75 miles along the Pacific Coast from Mexico to Orange County and inland 75 miles to Imperial County along the international border shared with Mexico.
- San Diego enjoys a wide variety of climate and terrain, from coastal plains and fertile inland valleys, to mountain ranges, forests, and the Anza-Borrego Desert. The average annual rainfall is only 10 inches.
- The County is governed by a five-member Board of Supervisors elected to four-year terms in district, non-partisan elections.
- There are 18 incorporated cities and a large number of unincorporated communities.
- County services are provided by five business groups, that are headed by General Managers, who report to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO).
- The County has a budget of $5.08 billion and provides services to the residents of the County through its nearly 17,000 employees in 42 different departments.

GENERAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The County engages in a continuous cycle of planning, implementing, evaluating, and renewing the planning process. The County’s comprehensive guide for managing this cyclic process is called the General Management System (GMS). For more information regarding GMS, please click here. The successful candidate must have a general understanding of the General Management System.
APPLICATION PROCESS AND RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE

Applications may be accessed and submitted on-line. To apply, go to www.sdcounty.ca.gov, then link to jobs; or click here.

In addition to completing the application, please submit an updated résumé indicating academic degrees held and dates conferred, employment history and positions held, dates of service, areas of experience, levels of responsibility, reporting structure, key duties performed, number of direct reports or staff, and salary information.

Applications and résumés will be initially screened for minimum qualifications. An evaluation board will convene to review submittals and identify top competitors to be considered for further evaluation.

The recruitment will remain open until filled.

SPECIAL NOTES

Persons serving in positions in the Unclassified Service do not accrue tenure and serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The provisions of this job announcement may be modified or revoked and do not constitute an expressed or implied contract. Qualified women, minorities, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Reasonable accommodation may be made to enable an individual with qualified disabilities to perform the essential functions of a job, on a case-by-case basis.

NOTES

The County of San Diego and its employees embrace the Live Well San Diego vision: A region that is Building Better Health, Living Safely and Thriving. Click here for more information www.livewellsd.org.

Under California Government Code Sections 3100 - 3109, public employees are designated as disaster service workers. The term “public employees” includes all persons employed by the state or any county city, state agency, or public district. Disaster service workers are required to participate in such disaster service activities as may be assigned to them by their employer or by law.

CONTACT INFORMATION

You may direct any questions regarding the application and selection process to Sherri de Castro, Human Resources Analyst, Department of Human Resources at (858) 505-6532 or Sherrilynn.Decastro@sdcounty.ca.gov.

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