



**Canadian Mental  
Health Association**  
Muskoka - Parry Sound

**Addictions and  
Mental Health Services**

**INTERNAL/EXTERNAL POSTING: April 16, 2021 – April 28, 2021**

**WALK-IN THERAPIST/COUNSELLOR**

**Job Status:** 1-Year Contract

**Hours of Work:** up to 7 hours per week

**Base office:** Bracebridge

**Purpose of the Position:**

The purpose of this position is to provide direct clinical services to individuals and their families in need of counselling/psychotherapy within the Districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound. The incumbent is responsible for delivering high quality assessment, individual and group treatment/counselling intervention(s) following best practices recommendations. The priority will be given to those experiencing serious mental illness. The Therapist works in partnership with other organizations for shared care, provides consultation in the community and is also responsible to provide local community education in his/her geographical area or for the entire district of Muskoka-Parry Sound. Education is provided with new and emerging educational and teaching material on mental illness/health.

**Education and Qualifications:**

- Minimum qualifications include Master's level post-secondary degree in Psychology, Psychiatric Nursing, Social Work or equivalent degree. Equivalency qualifications may be granted based on a combination of education and experience.
- Registration, membership or application for membership in the college appropriate to their discipline.
- Practical experience and knowledge of serious mental illnesses usually gained by at least one (1) year of working with people who have serious mental illness is also required. Clinical experience with mental health issues and in particular in treatment/counselling intervention is required.
- Demonstrated knowledge of clinical treatment and counselling intervention, case management principles, techniques and their application to specific casework is required.
- Considerable knowledge of the principles and best practices of mental health treatment and in particular, with individual and group counselling intervention.
- Knowledge of mental illness and issues related to severe mental illnesses, including their impact upon the client's personality, social, living, learning, and working domains of their lives.
- Ability to provide effective clinical assessment and service during day-to-day interactions with consumers, staff, and volunteers through consultation, modeling, and demonstration of effective service standards and agency philosophy.
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with others.

- Demonstrated competency in interviewing, assessment, counselling intervention practices and techniques, group therapy practices and techniques, and community education.
- Solid ability to determine work priorities and schedule multiple tasks.
- Ability to provide effective education session on mental illness/health in the community.
- Ability to secure and document accurate consumer information.
- A willingness to serve consumers within the communities of the Districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound.
- Experience with Microsoft Word, Outlook Calendaring and consumer information systems
- A valid Ontario G or G2 driver's license and a safe reliable means of transportation
- A willingness to work shifts (including evenings, weekends and statutory holidays)
- Proficiency in French/English language skills considered an asset
- Clear Criminal Record Check, including Vulnerable Sector Screen

**Salary scale:** \$33.18 to \$40.91 per hour commensurate with qualifications and experience

**Canadian Mental Health Association, Muskoka-Parry Sound is a scent-free organization**

You are invited to submit your application **quoting competition #25-21 by 4:30 p.m. on April 28, 2021**, to:

**The Hiring Committee  
Canadian Mental Health Association, Muskoka-Parry Sound Branch  
173-202 Manitoba Street  
Bracebridge, Ontario P1L 1S3**

**Telephone: (705) 645-2262    Fax: (705) 645-7473    Email: [jobs@cmhamps.ca](mailto:jobs@cmhamps.ca)**

Canadian Mental Health Association, Muskoka – Parry Sound (CMHAMPS) is an equal opportunity employer and we value the importance of diversity, dignity and worth of every individual in the workplace.

Qualified consumers/survivors and/or family members are encouraged to apply.

We retain all applications submitted for one (1) year after the closing date of this posting for consideration in any future postings.

As part of our commitment to Accessibility, if you wish this information in a different format, please contact our office at 705-645-2262 or email [feedback@cmhamps.ca](mailto:feedback@cmhamps.ca). If you are contacted regarding a job opportunity, please let us know prior to the interview if you require accommodation.

We thank all applicants but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.