



FIRST STEP FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

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Job Title: Behavioral Health Specialist
Work Location: Port Angeles, WA and surrounding area,
Program: Maternity Support Services (MSS)
Reports to: Program Manager
Position Type: Part-Time (fee for service), variable hours in office, home and/or community settings
Hours of Operation: Mon – Fri, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, varied work hours based on client need
Salary: \$16.25 – \$22.75 / Service Unit (\$65.00 - \$91.00 / Hour)

Position Summary

First Step Family Support Services has been committed to promoting the healthy development of children and families on the North Olympic Peninsula by building family strengths since 1972. Maternity Support Services (MSS) are preventive health and education services for woman to have a healthy pregnancy and a healthy baby. This position is a key member of our MSS team that includes registered nurses, nutritionists, behavioral health specialists and community health workers. Women are eligible to receive MSS who are pregnant and receiving Apple Health and is offered in addition to medical and prenatal care. Services can begin any time during the pregnancy, delivery or postpartum period and our MSS team is committed to encouraging pregnant women to enter the program as early as possible during their pregnancy to improve birth outcomes. Services can include pregnancy and parenting information, Screening for possible pregnancy risk factors, brief solution-based counseling for identified risk factors and referral to other community resources.

Position Duties and Responsibilities

The behavioral health specialist position provides outreach services to pregnant and post-partum women and their families. Services include short term counseling and case management services. Applicants must have experience working with families in their homes as well as in-office settings.

Duties Include:

- Provide pregnancy and parenting information
- Screening for possible pregnancy risk factors
- Brief solution-based counseling for identified risk factors
- Referral to other community resources.

Education and Work Experience Requirements

- A Bachelor's degree or Master's degree in social work, counseling, or marriage and family therapy.
- Currently credentialed or licensed in the State of Washington by the DOH Chapters 246-809, 246-810, and 246-924 WAC as one of the following:

Licensed mental health counselor

Licensed independent clinical social worker

Licensed social worker

Licensed marriage and family therapist

Licensed psychologist

Certified counselor

Certified chemical dependency professional

- A work history of working with families is preferred
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills, including ability to effectively communicate with internal and external customers
- Computer proficiency
- Must be able to work under pressure and meet deadlines, while maintaining a positive attitude and providing exemplary customer service
- Ability to work independently and to carry out assignments to completion within parameters of instructions given, prescribed routines, and standard accepted practices

Physical Requirements

- Ability to safely and successfully perform the essential job functions consistent with federal, state and local standards, including HIPPA compliance
- Ability to maintain regular, punctual attendance
- Must be able to lift and carry up to 20lbs and navigate stairs
- Must be able to talk, listen and speak clearly on telephone
- Successful applicant must have dependable vehicle, current driver's license and auto insurance
- Must be able to pass a background check

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