



Southeast Asian Development Center

Southeast Asian Development Center Mental Health Specialist

Are you looking for a fulfilling career in fostering a healthy, thriving, and self-sufficient Southeast Asian American community? Southeast Asian Development Center (SEADC) seeks a full-time **Mental Health Specialist** to provide clinically and culturally competent mental health services to youth and adults. The **Mental Health Specialist** conducts psych-assessments, prepares intervention and treatment plan, provides short-term individual and group therapy, and meets with the behavioral health services team to coordinate clinical services for clients.

Due to COVID-19, all staff are working remotely; due to community needs, all staff will be required to support direct programming in areas such as youth engage in-person Community hubs, distributing food and PPE and or assisting in-person clients to access COVID-19 testing and other needed client support.

About Us:

Founded in 1978, the Southeast Asian Development Center, formerly Vietnamese Youth Development Center (VYDC) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to lifting children, youth and families from Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam out of poverty. Our services are structured around providing low-income and vulnerable Southeast Asian Americans with basic needs and skills critical to building successful futures. We provide jobs, academic support, language service, health, and wellness, promote cultural resiliency and social guidance. Learn more about us at: <https://seadcenter.org>

Compensation and Great Benefits!

Salary range: \$31 - \$34/hour; DOE

Benefits include: medical, dental, vision, AD&D, commuter benefits, holidays, vacation, sick days

Responsibilities:

- Provides preventative outpatient mental health services (psychotherapy, counseling, clinical case management, crisis intervention, support/psychoeducational groups, etc.) to youth, families, adults, and older adults
- Conducts outreach, screening, intakes and initial assessments of clients in culturally appropriate and sensitive manners that builds strong rapport
- Liaisons with local health, mental health, and community treatment providers to coordinate client care, including physicians, medical professionals, and therapists
- Provides consultation to members of the Health and Wellness Team and other community partners on behavioral health related issues that may impact the Southeast Asian community
- Collaborates with members of the Health and Wellness Team and the agency to incorporate best practices to engage and support clients into mental health services and resources
- Provides outreach and education on mental health services and issues to clients, families of clients, community members, other professionals, schools, and the community
- Provides staff trainings in behavioral health services to meet client needs
- Updates clinical manual with new laws and procedures
- Maintains client care administrative and treatment records; enters client data and completes monthly reports

Qualifications:

- Commitment to the mission of SEADC
- Master's degree, or equivalent experience, in Psychology or Counseling
- LMFT/LPCC/LCSW or Psychologist licensure in California, or registered and license eligible

- Understand the health experiences of the Southeast Asian American community; must have a deep understanding of behavioral services and/or health prevention services
- Experience in providing outpatient mental health services to high-need, low-income youth, adults, older adults, and families
- Bilingual in an Asian or Southeast Asian language (spoken) a plus
- Experience/knowledge in short-term and preventative counseling, case management, and linkage for diverse communities
- Clinical experience in behavioral health issues related to immigration, migration, and other issues faced by the Southeast Asian community
- Clinical expertise to assess, coordinate, implement, and evaluate services needed for the client
- Knowledge of trauma, chemical dependency and dual diagnosis
- Ability to partner with other providers of mental and medical health services
- Knowledge of crisis intervention techniques

To Apply:

Please send your resume and cover letter to: SEADCJobs@gmail.com; please put “Mental Health Specialist” in the subject line.

We are an Equal Opportunity Employer and committed to embracing diversity and consider all applicants for all positions without regard to color, ethnic background, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, HIV/AIDS or veteran status.