

Job Title	Social Worker (GMHC)
Employer/ Agency	VETERANS AFFAIRS, VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
Job Description	<p>These positions are located at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center (MEDVAMC), in the Transition Care Service performing duties for the Mental Health Care Line's Health Care in the General Mental Health Clinic (GMHC). The GMHC offers a wide array of services, including outpatient assessment and medication management, individual, couples and family therapy, and specialized group therapy for veterans. It is organized into interdisciplinary teams.</p> <p>The selected incumbent(s) provide individual, group, couples and family therapy; psychosocial assessments and case management services to eligible veterans and their family members to meet biological, psychological, social, and environmental needs; performs case finding functions and outreach, identifying and screening patients for psychosocial needs; conducts psychosocial assessments and makes psychosocial diagnoses based on assessment; develops treatment plans in collaboration with the veteran/family and with the interdisciplinary treatment team; possesses the skills to offer psychosocial interventions and measures outcomes for interventions; coordinates community-based services, including information and referral for additional services from other VA programs, other government programs and community agency programs; identifies high-risk patients and provides case management services; provides crises intervention services, seeking to address the cause as well as the presenting complaint; coordinates family conferences and serves as liaison to family members; establishes and maintains effective therapeutic relationships with veterans and their families; works with patients and families who are experiencing a variety of psychiatric, medical and social problems; provides consultation services to other staff regarding the psychosocial needs of veterans and the impact of psychosocial problems on health care and adherence to treatment plan; attends meetings as required; participates in data collection and practice standardization activities; may be assigned special projects; performs all other duties as assigned. At the GS-9 level, you will perform similar duties but under closer supervision. The selected incumbent must be willing to develop an additional specialty expertise in Geriatrics, Serious Mental Illness and/or LGBTQ issues.</p>
Qualifications	<p>BASIC REQUIREMENTS: Candidates must meet all the requirements identified in the VA Qualification Standard for Social Worker, GS-185, as set forth in VA Handbook 5005, Part II, Appendix G39, dated February 13, 2009.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. citizenship. • Have a master's degree in social work from a school of social work fully accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE). Graduates of schools of social work that are in candidacy status do not meet this requirement until the school of social work is fully accredited. A doctoral degree in social work may not be substituted for the master's degree in social work.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Licensed or certified by a state to independently practice social work at the master's degree level. VA may waive the licensure requirement for persons who are otherwise qualified, pending completion of state prerequisites for licensure/certification examination. Social workers who are not licensed or certified at the time of appointment must become licensed or certified at the independent, master's level with 3 years of their appointment.
Salary/Hours	Work Schedule is Full Time - Excepted Service Permanent. \$55,289.00 to \$86,961.00 / Per Year
Employer/Agency	VETERANS AFFAIRS, VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
City, State, Zip	Houston, TX
Application Method	Apply online: https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/460178700/ YOU MUST INCLUDE VA FORM 10-2850c IN YOUR APPLICATION PACKAGE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS VACANCY.
Opening Date	12/21/2016

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