

African Services Committee

Mental Health Counselor

African Services Committee is the oldest and largest non-profit serving the African immigrant community in New York City. Established in 1981 by Ethiopian refugees, African Services was initially set up to provide comprehensive resettlement assistance to African refugees and asylum seekers.

Today, ASC provides health, housing, legal, educational and self-sufficiency services to African and Caribbean immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers affected by war, poverty, global health disparities, political oppression, and social persecution based on sexual orientation or HIV status. Our programs are designed to meet the basic needs of newcomers, using health as a gateway to immigrant integration and supporting community members to live healthy and productive lives.

Position Available: Mental Health

Counselor Job Type: Part-time

Salary: \$50.00 per hour

Expected hours: No more than 7 per week

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assessment of Clients' Mental Status
- Provision of individual/group mental health counseling/treatment
- Diagnostic assessment within three client sessions
- Collaborative therapeutic goal development with clients
- Ongoing emotional support
- Provision of relevant resources

- Referral to outside programmatic/psychiatric resources, as needed
- General problem-solving with client in treatment

Requirements:

- LMSW/LCSW/ or LMHC Currently Licensed in New York State
- Minimum of 5 years' experience providing individual and group mental health counseling and therapy in multicultural settings
- Interdisciplinary work experience in multi-service settings with staff representing legal, social work, housing, and health services
- Preparation of individual written affidavits for asylum and VAWA/UVisa case applications
- Prior immersion within diverse communities, e.g., persons from Africa, the Caribbean,
 Central and South America, and members of LGBTQ communities

- Comprehensive experience working with persons with HIV/AIDS
- Fluent in French or Spanish, including in-country experience
- Trained in trauma-informed therapies
- Support group Facilitation and/or Co-Facilitation
- Maintenance of timely written records
- Knowledge of other Community-based Organizations serving ASC's targeted communities

To apply: Please submit a cover and resume to: mhc@africanservices.org.