

Region 1 Behavioral Health Authority

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PROFESSIONAL PARTNER NEEDED

Part-time (20 hours) at Region 1 Behavioral Health Authority. This position works with children who have a diagnosable mental illness and their families serving 11 counties of the Panhandle. Professional Partners provide wraparound services for families including development of formal/informal support teams and documentation of progress. If you are creative, organized, positive and enjoy helping others, this is the perfect job for you! Duties include intake process, advocating for children and their families, linking families to services, assisting families in forming support systems, monitoring progress toward goals and marketing the program. Must have the ability to communicate effectively with a diverse population and have the flexibility to work in a variety of situations/settings. The ideal candidate will have an understanding of mental health diagnoses, issues and family dynamics. Travel throughout western Nebraska will be required. Bachelor's degree in a human services field or experience working with children and families preferred. This is a 20 hour per week position with the potential to become full-time. We offer a competitive salary and retirement. Should the position become full-time, pto & sick leave and health, dental and vision insurance will be available. A valid driver's license, proof of insurance and good driving record is required. Extensive background check and drug screening are performed. Interested persons may e-mail resume and cover letter to swengler@region1bhs.net or mail to Sue Wengler, Region 1 Behavioral Health Authority, 4110 Avenue D, Scottsbluff, NE 69361. Position closed when filled. EOE

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2021 Great Plains Disaster Behavioral Health
Virtual Conference

July 22-23, 2021

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PREVENTION SPOTLIGHT

Sergeant Tim Peterson with the Alliance Police Department presented at the Panhandle Prevention Coalition meeting this month on the Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (PAARI), a nationwide initiative which the Alliance PD joined in December 2020. This program focuses on allowing law enforcement the ability to give amnesty to substance users in instances when substances are surrendered willingly to law enforcement. The goal of the PAARI program is for law enforcement to be less reactive when dealing with individuals who are struggling to overcome substance use and to better assist those with substance use issues by referring them into treatment when appropriate. The Alliance Police Department has requested assistance in implementing this program in the form of additional resources and trainings. Together with PPHD, Region 1 is working to compile a list of resources for the community that PAARI could utilize. If your organization is interested in partnering with law enforcement under this initiative, please contact Jessica Haebe, Region 1 Substance Abuse Prevention Coordinator, via email at jhaebe@region1bhs.net



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2021

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Stop at the Region 1 Professional Partner Program booth at National Night Out on August 3rd!

RESOURCES FOR WESTERN NEBRASKA

24/7 Mental Health line: 308-635-5766

24/7 Substance Abuse line: 308-762-7177

Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255

24/7 Crisis Text line: text REG 1 to: 741-741

24/7 Nebraska Family Helpline: 1-888-866-8660

Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990 or Text '*TalkWithUs*' to 66746

Rural Response Hotline: 1-800-464-0258

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