



## **POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT OFFICE BASED THERAPIST (full-time)**

Vera House, Inc. is a human service agency providing comprehensive domestic and sexual violence prevention and intervention services.

The Office Based Therapist is responsible for the day to day services, which includes comprehensive therapy services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault at the **McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy Center**.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Provide crisis intervention, therapy, local service delivery systems advocacy, and support to individuals and families experiencing domestic violence, sexual assault and other violent trauma
- Provide at least 20 office based therapy sessions per week, including some after-hours appointments
- Assist victims/clients in identifying, understanding and prioritizing problems and needs and, in obtaining information on available resources, as well as assist in seeking help from intervention systems, including criminal justice, legal, medical counseling and income programs at various community partner locations
- Provide emotional support, short term and intermediate needs of shelter residents and their families
- Facilitate groups for those affected by domestic violence or sexual assault
- Provide referrals and systems advocacy as well as medical and advocacy referrals
- Manage difficult and/or emotional client situations and respond promptly to client needs

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Master's degree in social work, marriage and family therapy, mental health counseling or related field required
- One to three years direct service experience preferred. NYS license to practice preferred.
- Ability to provide trauma informed services.
- Understands and values racial equity as an organizational operating principle and is committed to continued learning on issues related to race, equity, diversity and inclusion.

**Salary range: \$43,000-\$47,000**

Bilingual/bicultural candidates are encouraged to apply. Vera House is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Position is open until filled.

**Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter by Monday, September 7, 2020 to:**

**Hiring Manager  
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