

The seal of San Joaquin County, California, is a circular emblem. It features a central figure of a woman holding a scale of justice, with a plow and a sheaf of wheat on either side. The words "SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY" are written around the top inner edge, and "CALIFORNIA" is at the bottom. The seal is rendered in a light green color.

# San Joaquin County Employment Opportunity

## **Chief Mental Health Clinician**

### Behavioral Health Services

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#### **About the position**

The Chief Mental Health Clinician is responsible for the management of a specific comprehensive program in the Behavioral Health Services Department which will include preparation and monitoring of a program budget, providing guidance and supervision to professional, para-professional and support staff in delivering mental health services to the residents of San Joaquin County.

#### **The ideal Candidate**

The ideal candidate will be a licensed clinician with experience providing treatment to consumers and have a strong knowledge of principles and techniques of psychiatric social casework, modern methods of mental health treatment and an understanding of the social aspects of disability and mental illnesses.

As a management level position, the candidate should also have supervisory experience which includes both employee supervision and employee training.

#### **About the department**

Behavioral Health Services (BHS) is a division of San Joaquin County Health Care Services and provides an array of mental health and substance use disorder treatment services, primarily for Medi-Cal beneficiaries in San Joaquin County. The department consists of over 800 employees in the following operational divisions: Administration; Mental Health Services; Mental Health Forensic Services; Adult/Older Adult Services; Inpatient and Crisis Services; Children's Services; and Substance Abuse Services.

The mission of San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Services is to partner with the community to provide integrated, culturally and linguistically competent mental health and substance abuse services to meet the prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery needs of San Joaquin County residents.

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# Make San Joaquin County your new home!

A land of beauty, recreation and natural riches-from the waters of the Delta to the vines of the wine, San Joaquin County has it all. San Joaquin County boasts seven cities and some of the finest opportunities in the state for boating, fishing, camping, history-gathering, or just plain fun in the sun. Each city, as well as the unincorporated county areas, offers a unique opportunity to enjoy natural California beauty and nature, or music, arts and culture. Whatever your interest, it can most likely be found in San Joaquin County.

## Arts, Culture, and Recreation

The arts and culture provide a much-needed respite from everyday worries and the Haggin Museum, San Joaquin County Historical Museum, and Stockton Children's Museum are popular spots.

The Stockton Symphony, San Joaquin County Ballet, and Stockton Civic Theater provide important experiences for children and adults. The multi-cultural community offers a diversity of views and opinions in its art and culture, providing a wealth of knowledge about past and present on canvas and stage.

Over 75 languages are spoken within the region and there is richness in the blending of cultures and ways that creates an air of celebration about individual customs, foods and cultures.

San Joaquin County government provides nine community parks for boating, camping, and picnicking, swimming and organized sports. Annual family events include the Asparagus Festival, attended by thousands of fun-seekers from the County and beyond.

Individual cities and communities provide a host of other opportunities, from Lodi Lake Park and Nature Area to the Woodbridge Ecological Reserve. The County-owned and operated Micke Grove Park offers a zoo, rides and a historical museum to delight both children and adults. The San Joaquin Delta is one of the area's best kept secrets and offers some of the best boating in the state: more than 1,000 miles of waterways stretching from the Stockton Harbor to north of Sacramento and offering access to the San Francisco Bay.



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## Education

From preschool to higher education, the County has it covered with an abundant array of public or private opportunities to learn and grow. The University of the Pacific, California State University, Stanislaus-Stockton Center, Humphreys College and Law School, National University, and the San Joaquin Delta Community College offer a wide variety of choices for educational opportunities. The County's 17 school districts provide families with a wide choice for children's educational development.



## Agriculture

The county is one of the most agriculturally rich regions in California. Grapes are the leading commodity, with 98,000 bearing acres, much of that in wine grapes. Over 85 wineries within the Lodi Appellation offer opportunities for tasting and special events.

Almonds, walnuts, tomatoes and cherries round out the top crops, with an abundance of other produce. Weekly farmers markets throughout the county offer a cornucopia of fresh fruit and vegetables. Fruit stands and pick-your-own produce farms dot the countryside.

## Housing

Housing is plentiful in San Joaquin County and is affordable when compared to other nearby areas.

Housing ranges from new developments to historic homes found mostly in central Stockton and downtown Lodi. San Joaquin County is a place where families can grow, learn, and experience the nature and beauty of the California landscape while benefiting from the unique opportunities - cultural, recreational, and educational - that the area provides.

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## Typical Duties

- Plans and develops a mental health program for mentally ill, disabled or emotionally handicapped clients.
- Conducts and participates in staff meetings to insure effective coordination of work; hires, trains and evaluates staff.
- Selects, assigns, supervises and evaluates subordinate professional and para-professional personnel in the performance of social casework, and in recording case histories and related matters.
- Assigns cases and assists subordinates with difficult cases.
- Prepares program budget; prepares and maintains records, reports and correspondence; may requisition supplies.
- Consults with and informs medical personnel and other staff members of matters relating to social and environmental problems of clients and their families.
- Participates in the planning and conducting of training programs teaching diagnosis and treatment methods.
- Coordinates the social work program with related community social services and treatment facilities.
- Supervises and participates in interdisciplinary diagnostic and dispositional conferences to determine the nature of illness and recommend treatment plans; performs clinical assessments; makes pre-release studies of cases and makes recommendations accordingly.
- Determines, interprets and implements policies and procedures; monitors program effectiveness.
- Serves as an advocate for the civil and service rights of clients and family members.

## Minimum Qualifications

### EITHER PATTERN I

Special Requirement: Must possess and maintain a valid license as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), a Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT), or a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC) issued by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences.

### OR PATTERN II

Special Requirement: Must possess and maintain a valid license as a Psychologist issued by the California Board of Psychology.

### FOR BOTH PATTERN

Education: Graduation from an accredited university with a master's or doctorate degree in social work, counseling, psychology or other course of study acceptable to the State of California Board of Behavioral Sciences towards licensure as a LCSW, MFT, LPCC, or Psychologist.

Experience: Two years of progressively responsible licensed casework experience as an LCSW, MFT, LPCC or Psychologist, which included counseling or therapy in a clinical or treatment setting and also included one year of supervisory experience.

### AND

License: Possession of a valid California driver's license.



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## Compensation and Benefits

Approximate Annual Base Salary:

**\$117,385 - \$142,682**

In addition to the base salary, the County offers an excellent benefits plan which includes a county contribution to health insurance, dental and vision insurance plans. Other benefits also offered by the County include:

- 1937 Retirement Act plan with reciprocity with CALPERS
- 125 Flex Spending Benefits Plan
- 457 Deferred Compensation Plan - including 1% employer contribution
- 12 days sick leave annually with unlimited accumulation
- 10 days of vacation leave (15 days after 3 years, 20 days after 10 years, and 23 days after 20 years)
- 14 paid holidays per year
- 10 days of administrative leave per fiscal year



## Wellness

San Joaquin County is dedicated to providing its employees with a great benefit package and is interested in their overall well-being. Through our SJC Engage wellness program, San Joaquin County employees and eligible dependents are offered support in the way of various workshops, courses, and programs in areas such as Physical and Mental Wellness, Professional Wellness, and Financial Wellness. Employees also enjoy special employee pricing through Perks at Work.

For additional information regarding the wellness program, please click to visit the SJC Engage website:



## Application and Selection

The competitive process includes submittal of a completed San Joaquin County Employment application and Supplemental Questionnaire. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a complete application package. If a formal exam process is utilized, qualified applicants will be invited to participate in an oral examination interview which may include a practical exercise. The top-scoring candidates will be referred to the department for a hiring interview. To apply, submit a completed application and supplemental questionnaire on or before the final filing date.

To apply, visit the recruitment announcement [page](#) or scan this QR code with your smartphone's camera.



Final Filing Date: **Open Until Filled**

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