

## **Part-Time Mental Health Social Worker**

The Aging in New York Fund (ANYF) is the not-for-profit, philanthropic arm of the New York City Department for the Aging (DFTA), dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for older New Yorkers and their families. By forging creative public/private partnerships, the Fund addresses the pressing unmet needs of seniors, their caregivers and the network of aging service providers.

ANYF seeks a part-time Social Worker (27 hours a week ) to implement a year-long, grant-funded project to integrate mental health screening (depression and anxiety) and treatment for elder abuse victims served by DFTA's Elderly Crime Victims Unit. National studies have illustrated a link between elder abuse and mental health problems. There is some evidence that shows that depression may make older adults less likely to ask for help, and therefore more vulnerable to elder abuse.

### **Duties:**

- 1- Under general direction, with wide latitude for independent initiative and judgment, provide direct services to victims of elder abuse primarily residing in the borough of Manhattan including: maintaining accurate case records, providing short term counseling, information and referral, conducting telephone and walk-in intakes, conducting risk assessment screenings, developing safety plans, working with referents and collateral contacts, conducting home visits, helping clients obtain orders of protection, and filing police reports.
- 2- Administer the PHQ-9 for depression and the GAD 7 for anxiety.
- 3- Use problem solving therapy (PST) for victims who test positive for depression and/or anxiety.
- 4- Collaborate with the Mental Health Association (MHA) and other mental health providers to establish referral protocols, develop service resource and primary care referral lists and effectively outreach to the local mental health community.
- 5- Work with DFTA's research department to provide ongoing feedback in meeting project objectives.

### **Skills/Requirements:**

- Master's Degree in social work, psychology or other relevant social sciences.
- A minimum of three years related professional experience. Experience in counseling victims of elder abuse or domestic violence is a plus, but not a requirement.
- A caring, dedicated team player with strong people skills.
- Excellent oral and written communications skills.
- Familiarity with aging and/or mental health services.

How to Apply:

Send cover letter, resume and salary requirements via email or fax to:  
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