

**Sierra Mental Wellness Group** provides professional and affordable individual, couple and family counseling, crisis services, child and adolescent programs, and substance abuse treatment and prevention. We employ a top notch staff dedicated to our clients and our team approach to services. Sierra Mental Wellness Group values the many talents and abilities of its employees and seeks to foster an open, cooperative and dynamic environment where employees and the Agency alike can thrive.

**Crisis Specialist Responsibilities:**

- Provides mobile crisis support services, both on uncontrolled standby and on-site (days, nights & weekends), in San Luis Obispo County
- Performs mental health assessments and 5150 evaluations, providing short-term, stabilizing counseling and/or referral and linkage to community resources, and follow-up.
- The Crisis Specialist provides crisis intervention for individuals who are in distress, completes admissions to an appropriate mental health inpatient unit, including completing forms with clients who are to receive ongoing mental health services, and assists mental health clients in obtaining social and other human services by communicating directly and effectively with hospital staff and psychiatrist(s).
- The Crisis Specialist effectively participates in staff meetings, in-service training, new employee orientations and inter-agency coordination activities.

**Minimum Education Required:**

- Bachelor's degree in behavioral sciences or an A.A. degree with two years' experience in mental health crisis work or closely related field

**Licensing Required:** Licensed Psychiatric Technician or Master's Degree preferred; a professional license (or license eligibility) recognized by the State of California in the appropriate field of practice is ideal but not necessary.

**Minimum Experience Required:** The successful candidate must possess at least three (3) years' experience in provision of crisis support services, and a sound grasp of the principles of crisis evaluation and clinical interviewing.

- Demonstrated ability to facilitate communication between/among multiple entities and 5150 Certification completed in San Luis Obispo County.

**How To Apply:** Qualified candidates can respond by forwarding a resume plus cover letter (MS Word or PDF format). No phone calls or walk in's please.

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**Full-Time Position**