



**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SPECIALIST**  
Dutchess County Department of Mental Health  
**2024 Salary: \$71,640**

This is a professional position in the Department of Mental Health which involves the delivery of services to individuals with complex behavioral health and addiction related treatment needs. Responsibilities include working with a lens of integrated behavioral health and addiction related, person centered, strengths based, and trauma informed care. Additional tasks may include psychosocial and diagnostic assessment; treatment planning; individual and group therapy; crisis intervention; maintenance of electronic health records; coordination of treatment with other agencies and professionals providing ancillary services; and participation in patient discharge planning. Case assignments and supervision are provided by a higher-level administrator. This position does not supervise other employees but may direct the work of aides, interns, temporary employees and other lower-level employees. DBCH employees may be required to serve on any of the Department's standing or ad hoc committees or on community collaboration committees.

To view a complete list of job duties, click [here](#).

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Licensed by the New York State Department of Education as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Licensed Master Social Worker, or Licensed Mental Health Counselor, at the time of application.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:**

Possession of a valid Driver License to operate a motor vehicle in New York State at time of application and to maintain the position.

**FINGERPRINTING:**

A fingerprint supported background investigation is required before an appointment is made to some positions. Pursuant to New York State Executive Law, the Division of Criminal Justice Services requires that a fee accompany each such request for a search. It is due once a job offer is made and accepted by the applicant.

**Dutchess County offers a diverse working environment and generous benefits package including 13 paid holidays, paid time off, comprehensive health, dental and vision insurance, and NYS Retirement.**

**For immediate consideration, apply on or before 4/25/2026**  
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