***FOCUS AREA***
Agency leadership has determined that this position meets Criteria 4: Assignment requires regular engagement with other uniformed services.

***POSITION TITLE***
Clinical Social Worker, (O-4 Billet, Non-supervisory). Equivalent to MEDCOM standardized GS-12 PD

***LOCATION DESCRIPTION***
This position is located at The U.S. Army Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC) Fort Drum and Guthrie Ambulatory Health Care Clinic (GAHC) provides high quality healthcare and leadership to maximize medical readiness of the force and improve, restore, and sustain the health of our patients.

The U.S. Army Medical Department Activity provides integrated, quality healthcare and medical readiness support that is responsive to the needs of the 10th Mountain Division (LI) and the Fort Drum community.

The MEDDAC is comprised of many different sections located in various buildings throughout Fort Drum and North Country; supports approximately 42,000 beneficiaries.

We are here to provide you with world-class healthcare and strive to be the first choice for your healthcare because we share the military culture and values.

***CLOSING DATE***
Open until closed

*** JOB DESCRIPTION***
Specific duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

Serves as Clinical Social Worker for the Department of Behavioral Health.

Must have experience in the treatment of a variation of complex psychological dysfunction / full spectrum of psychiatric diagnoses.

Evaluates, observes and treats patients exhibiting significant social and emotional problems affecting their behavioral health and wellbeing.

Provides direct care to include individual and group psychotherapy, training, consultation and other services typically provided by a clinical social worker.

Instructs/counsels patients and families in treating and coping with social and emotional responses connected with behavioral health diagnoses.
Assists other health team members in understanding the significant social and emotional factors impacting the patient’s behavioral health.

Provides clinical consultation to leaders.

Participates in development and periodic re-evaluation of treatment plans.

Utilizes special skills and judgment to resolve social and emotional responses connected with behavioral health diagnosis.

Observes, records and reports changes in patients' condition and response to treatment in accordance with DoD, Department of the Army, US Army Medical Command and JCAHO regulations and policies.

Participates in the discharge planning process and provides ongoing assessment of patient and family needs and responses to teaching coping skills.

Participates in care coordination activities and acts as a resource to other health team members in the identification and resolution of patient needs.

Utilizes appropriate community resources to achieve identified objectives. Attends, participates in and/or conducts internal staff development programs, obtains continuing education as required by state licensing and Department of Army and US Army MEDCOM regulations and policies.

Maintains the highest standards of Professional conduct in relation to information that is confidential in nature.

Shares information only when recipient's right to access is clearly established and the sharing of such information is in the best interest of the patient.

Participates in Performance Improvement activities as assigned.

Communicates information that enables data collection and root cause analysis to identify opportunities for improvement.

Adheres to and participates in mandatory HIPAA privacy program/practices and Business Ethics and Compliance programs/practices.

Participates in special projects/performs other duties as assigned.

Requires ongoing compliance with current OTSG/MEDOM policy on productivity standards for patient care.

Performs other duties as assigned.
CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

PHS social worker in good professional standing with a Master's Degree from a school of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

An active independent clinical social work license to practice in the United States or District of Columbia.

No Clearance required

***CONTACT INFORMATION***
Interested USPHS Commissioned Corps officers should submit: CV with cover letter, last 3 COERs (officer annual evaluations), a letter of recommendation from current rater/supervisor (senior rater is acceptable), and a copy of professional license to CDR Jena Vedder at Jennifer.a.vedder.mil@mail.mil