

# **Job Announcement: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner**

South Lane Mental Health  
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South Lane Mental Health is a private, non-profit community mental health clinic located in Cottage Grove, Oregon, about 20 miles south of Eugene. SLMH has about 45 staff.

SLMH's outpatient clinic serves about 1,000 adults and children per year. Services include: medication management by PMHNPs, counseling and case management by mental health professionals, supported housing and assertive case management, crisis support for the local ER and our own small crisis service, and a behavioral-medical collaboration program operated in cooperation with Cottage Grove Hospital and Clinics.

An important agency goal is to serve every referral, regardless of their financial situation. Psychiatric nurse practitioners work closely with counseling, social work, and support staff to address problems in a strengths-based, team approach.

Started by community volunteers more than 20 years ago, SLMH continues to have a strong connection with the community.

## Salary and benefits

PMHNP start at about \$73,000 per year for a 32-hour workweek. Benefits include liberal vacation, 8 holidays, 9 sick days, and 100% agency paid health, vision, and dental benefits. Nurse practitioners who work less than 24 hours per week are paid \$62 per hour but do not receive benefits. NPs do not currently have any on-call responsibilities.

## Work Environment

Psychiatric nurse practitioners function with a high degree of independence and the PMHNP has the luxury of determining the length and frequency of follow-up visits. PMHNPs have access to consultation from respected psychiatrists as well as our own highly experienced NPs.

Support staff include professionals who conduct in-depth mental health assessments prior to the NPs contact with the client, skilled crisis workers, prescription assistance staff, and other clerical workers.

SLMH just recently moved into a newly renovated office. The work environment is casual and collegial. There is flexibility in scheduling. Staff members participate in agency goal planning. We strive to provide a work environment that is respectful to both staff and clients.

## Living Environment

The Mid-Willamette Valley is a beautiful, serene place to live with the mountains and coast located within 60 miles. Eugene has many cultural opportunities. Traffic problems are almost non-existent. Eugene and Lane County have a number of easy-to-use web sites that can be accessed for additional information. SLMH's website is [SLMH.org](http://SLMH.org).

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