

# Courageous Connections Equine Specialist in Mental Health and Learning Instructor Job Posting

Position Type: Part-time, non-exempt Reports to: Program Director

Wages: \$25 per hour Work Location: In person, Lake Stevens

# **ABOUT COURAGEOUS CONNECTIONS**

Our Mission is to promote and enhance the physical and emotional growth of people of all ages and unique abilities through therapeutic, outdoor experiences including interactions with horses and other domesticated animals.

# **POSITION OVERVIEW**

ESMHL Instructors provide Equine-Assisted Learning classes in both an individual and group setting. In addition, they may partner with a licensed therapist to provide Equine-Assisted Psychotherapy. All services are structured to meet the needs and goals of each participant. The ideal candidate is a team player experienced with facilitating equine and farm activities for individuals who experience emotional and cognitive challenges.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Ensure that CC delivers safe, effective, and respectful equine-assisted services.
- Ensure compliance with PATH Intl. standards and CC Operating Standards.
- Responsible for crafting activities to meet the participant's individual goals during scheduled classes as well as choosing equine partners and volunteer oversight.
- Maintain up-to-date participant documentation and ensure the cleanliness and organization of class areas and equipment.
- Promote and support an effective team environment. Routinely communicate concerns and recommendations directly to the Program Director. Communicate with the Equine Manager on horse-related issues. Provide input regarding volunteer training and orientation to the Volunteer Coordinator as needed. Communicate with staff about key issues/updates related to health and medical information. Attend paid staff and team meetings in person or via Zoom.
- Commit to ongoing professional development, including acquiring necessary continuing education units (CEUs) to maintain ESMHL Certification, and maintaining First Aid and CPR certification.
- Know, support, and promote the Mission, Values, and Goals of CC.

### SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

- PATH Intl. Equine Specialist in Mental Health and Learning (ESMHL) Certified, or In-Training with certification acquired within 3 months after hire date.
- 3+ Years, or 1,000+ hours, of horse experience.
- Never been accused, arrested, charged, or convicted of child abuse/neglect, molestation, or any sexual misconduct.
- Ability to work independently and collaborate with the team.
- Ability to meet the physical requirements of the position including but not limited to, walking, running, bending, stair use, and the ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Have reliable transportation.

## TO APPLY

- Complete the Courageous Connections Instructor or MHP Application online <a href="HERE">HERE</a> https://www.cognitoforms.com/courageousconnections1/courageousconnectionsinstructorormhpapplication
- Email inquiries and your resume to janessab@courageous-connections.org.



