

## **Student Guide to Mental Health Employers**

**MARYLAND DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES** - <http://www.dors.state.md.us/dors>

The Maryland Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) offers programs and services that help people with disabilities go to work or stay independent in their homes and communities. DORS is an agency of the [Maryland State Department of Education](#). DORS is composed of the public vocational rehabilitation (VR) program and the Disability Determination Services. More than half of the individuals served by DORS have a serious mental illness (SMI) as a primary or secondary disability. DORS works along with many community agencies so that individuals with SMI can go to work and stay employed.

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Catholic Charities USA - <http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>

Washington, DC - <http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/>

Diocese of Arlington - <http://www.cdda.net/>

Catholic Charities of Baltimore - <http://www.catholiccharities-md.org/>

Catholic Charities assists individuals and families in need, especially those who are most vulnerable. We will remain committed to the poor, especially the homeless, immigrant newcomers at-risk and persons with mental and developmental disabilities. We will help individuals and families move from crisis and isolation to stability and growth. We will be accessible to those in need through comprehensive, integrated and culturally competent services. We will help all who want to get and hold a job to do so.

**SOME (So Others Might Eat)** – Washington, DC

[http://www.some.org/services\\_emergency\\_mentalhealth.html#Jordan](http://www.some.org/services_emergency_mentalhealth.html#Jordan)

SOME (So Others Might Eat) is an interfaith, community-based organization that exists to help the poor and homeless of our nation's capital. As part of SOME's Behavioral Health Services (BHS), professional clinicians provide individual and group counseling to homeless and extremely low-income individuals. Our therapists and psychiatrists address mental illness, substance abuse, and general treatment through a comprehensive social-service program. **Jordan House** is an emergency placement for individuals who are experiencing a mental health crisis. **Mary Claire House** provides supportive-service transitional housing to homeless adults with severe and persistent mental illness after they have been stabilized at Jordan House. **Isaiah House** is a drop-in day socialization program for homeless adults with mental illness that focuses on peer support, peer-led activities and outreach to engage mentally ill homeless adults in the community.

**LINDEN RESOURCES** (Arlington, VA) – <http://www.linden.org/>

At Linden Resources, we work to make sure the environment is supportive and nurturing for people with disabilities to reach their potential. Linden Resources has grown to employ, provide job placement and other innovative services and programs to serve each year more than 270 individuals with intellectual, physical and mental health disabilities, and wounded warrior veterans. In order to fulfill our mission, Linden Resources operates 16 federal contracts and provides contact centers, copying/assembly/mail, fulfillment, and secure document destruction for government and commercial clients.

**VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES** – <http://www.vadrs.org/>

The Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, in collaboration with community partners, provides and advocates for resources and services to improve the employment, quality of life, security, and independence of older Virginians, Virginians with disabilities, and their families.

DARS was created by merging the former Department of Rehabilitative Services and Department for the Aging in 2012 to help older Virginians and those with disabilities to maximize and secure their employment, independence and full inclusion into society and guide the Commonwealth in preparing for an aging population. In July, the [adult services units](#) from Virginia's Department of Social Services will become part of DARS.

**WENDT CENTER FOR LOSS AND HEALING** (Washington, DC) - <http://wendtcenter.org/>

The Wendt Center is a premier resource for restoring hope and healthy functioning to adults, teens and children who are coping with grief, loss and trauma. We provide mental health counseling, training and education, crisis response and case management services to ease the impact of illness, loss, and traumatic events. We respect individuals and their experiences, understand the pain of loss and trauma, and support people in their healing journey.

**KOLMAC CLINIC** (Baltimore, Columbia, Gaithersburg, Silver Spring, Towson, & Washington DC)  
<http://www.kolmac.com/>

The goal of the Kolmac drug and alcohol treatment programs is to help people establish a satisfying life without alcohol or other addictive drugs. Kolmac Clinic's outpatient program is made up of the three traditional phases of drug and alcohol addiction treatment program: detoxification, rehabilitation and continuing care. We believe that a well-structured and intensive outpatient program is as effective as inpatient care. Counselors are responsible for individually counseling patients, acting as co-therapist in treatment groups, organizing and making didactic presentations, and assisting the medical staff in managing patients undergoing ambulatory detoxification. In addition, they consult with patients' family members and referral sources in order to coordinate patient's treatment and other aspects of the patient's life.

**INOVA KELLAR CENTER** (Fairfax, VA)

<http://www.inova.org/healthcare-services/inova-kellar-center/index.jsp>

Inova Kellar Center provides a full continuum of outpatient services and programs, including individual, family and group therapy, medication management, psychiatric evaluations, psychological testing, intensive outpatient programs, intensive home base services and partial hospitalization programs.

**THE KELLAR SCHOOL** – Fairfax, VA

<http://www.inova.org/healthcare-services/inova-kellar-center/kellarschool.jsp>

The Kellar School is a therapeutic education program serving students grades three through 12 who have been identified as eligible for special education services. The structured, individualized program is designed to meet the needs of students with emotional and/or learning disabilities. These students may also have social, behavioral or health-related issues that significantly interfere with their ability to learn.

**MSA - THE ADOLESCENT CENTER** (Columbia, MD) – <http://www.msachild.com/>

Working with Adolescents in crisis and their families to find solutions and implement change. MSA provides community based partial hospital and intensive outpatient programs to meet the needs of today's youth that are experiencing behavioral health problems. The programs are designed to keep adolescents in the community and maintain their present living situations.

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS** - <http://www.va.gov/>

VA operates the nation's largest integrated health care system, with more than 1,700 hospitals, clinics, community living centers, domiciliaries, readjustment counseling centers, and other facilities. The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Program assists Veterans with service-connected disabilities to prepare for, find, and keep suitable jobs. For Veterans with service-connected disabilities so severe that they cannot immediately consider work, this program offers services to improve their ability to live as independently as possible.

**YMCA YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES** (Silver Spring, MD)

<http://www.ymcadc.org/branch/newsD.cfm?bid=16>

Your local YMCA Association features a very important branch within the YMCA's social services movement, YMCA Youth & Family Services (YFS). Operating in our community for over three decades, YFS provides noteworthy prevention and early-intervention services to the vulnerable populations within our community. We do this by pro-actively performing crisis intervention, providing medical clinical resources, counseling, mentoring and running after school activities at local community centers, elementary, middle and high schools. Each year, we care for over 3,500 youth and their family members who are often overlooked, under-represented or lack support.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY SERVICES - <http://dds.dc.gov/DC/DDS>**

The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) focuses on employment, ensuring that persons with disabilities achieve a greater quality of life by obtaining and sustaining employment, economic self-sufficiency and independence. RSA achieves this through employment marketing and placement services, vocational rehabilitation, inclusive business enterprises and supports for the D.C. Center for Independent Living.

The Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) ensures that residents with intellectual disabilities receive the services and supports they need to lead self-determined and valued lives in the community. DDA achieves this through the delivery of outreach and service coordination services; the development and management of a provider network delivering community residential, day, vocational, employment and individual and family support services; and the operation of a comprehensive quality management program.

**NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY - <http://www.nationalmssociety.org/>**

The National MS Society is a collective of passionate individuals who want to do something about MS now—to move together toward a world free of multiple sclerosis. MS stops people from moving. We exist to make sure it doesn't. We help each person address the challenges of living with MS through our 50-state network of chapters. The Society helps people affected by MS by funding cutting-edge research, driving change through advocacy, facilitating professional education, and providing programs and services that help people with MS and their families move their lives forward.

**COMMUNITY RESIDENCES, INC. - <http://communityresidences.org/>**

Community Residences (CR) offers individuals with disabilities supportive housing and the physical, mental and emotional services needed to facilitate independent and dignified living within the community. We are one of the largest providers of services to individuals with disabilities in Virginia, with services in Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William counties and in the Richmond area. In Maryland, CR serves individuals in Anne Arundel and Baltimore counties and in Baltimore City. CR provides medical, therapeutic, educational, vocational, residential and integrative recreational services to the formation of vital relational communities through which each individual may experience greater independence, dignity, fulfillment and happiness.

**METROPOLITAN MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC (Upper Marlboro, MD) - <http://www.mmhcweb.net/>**

MMHC provides a triad of services that has proven to assist patients to cope with and or to recover from mental health illness and related issues. As a leading provider of mental health services to patients in Prince George's County, the Board works hard every day to ensure that MMHC is dedicated in providing a full continuum of care to assist our patients with recovering from their mental health diagnosis. MMHC provides a holistic view of care which includes psychiatric treatment; psychotherapy; and psychiatric rehabilitation services. MMHC is focused on providing a high quality of care, "one person, at a time".

**HEAD INJURY REHABILITATION & REFERRAL SERVICES** (Rockville, MD)

<http://www.headinjuryrehab.org/>

Head Injury Rehabilitation and Referral Services, Inc. (HIRRS) is a private, not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) agency located in Rockville, Maryland. At HIRRS, we serve individuals with various disabilities and impairments. We specialize in supporting individuals with traumatic and acquired brain injury. The mission of Head Injury rehabilitation and Referral Service, Inc. (HIRRS) is to provide comprehensive, high quality and cost effective outpatient and residential rehabilitation services to individuals with acquired brain injury and their families to restore them to optimal function.

**DAVIS CAREER CENTER** (Falls Church, VA) - <http://www.fcps.edu/DavisCenter/>

The Davis Center, a unique school focused on vocational and independent living skills for students' with disabilities, works collaboratively as a school community to assess and implement appropriate individualized instruction and strives to stay current and informed about post-secondary preparation, new technology, and best practices.

**THE FROST SCHOOL** (Rockville, VA) - <http://www.frostschool.org/>

The Frost School is a nonpublic special education day school which serves children and adolescents with emotional and behavioral disabilities, autism spectrum disorders, and related special needs. Frost consists of four unique programs each providing a supportive and structured environment integrating specialized academic instruction, counseling, transition services, and behavioral modification specific to each student population. Our 12-month school program serves students in grades K to 12, ages 5 to 21 who need a supportive and structured environment, combining specialized academic instruction, behavior management, and related services.

**BOWIE YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES** (Bowie, MD) - <http://www.cityofbowie.org/index.aspx?NID=125>

We are committed to providing a continuum of community based mental health services and relevant drug and alcohol prevention activities for the youth and families of the Bowie community. Providing a welcoming environment for families in crisis, BYFS offers expertise in family therapy, a variety of groups, both educational and therapeutic, community outreach services and other school-based services.

**ALTERNATIVE HOUSE: ABUSED AND HOMELESS CHILDREN'S REFUGE** (Vienna, VA)

<http://www.thealternativehouse.org/>

Alternative House programs work to keep young people safe and provide positive options to help them reach their full potential. Founded in 1972 as a shelter for runaway youth, Alternative House still provides this core service. However, as times have changed, Alternative House has grown to help children, youth and families meet new challenges. Our [Community-Based Youth Services](#), [Assisting Young Mothers](#) program, [Homeless Youth Initiative](#), and [24-Hour Crisis Hotline](#) all further the mission of Alternative House to transform the lives of at-risk children, youth and their families in our changing community.

**COLUMBIA ROAD HEALTH SERVICES** (Washington, DC) - <http://www.crhs.org/index.html>

Founded in 1979 by Dr. Janelle Goetcheus, CRHS has provided comprehensive health care for the medically underserved residents of Washington, DC for over 30 years. We serve as a medical home for nearly 5,000 patients each year, as we address physical, social, and economic barriers to health and well-being. We have medical providers, social services staff, and mental health counselors, who work collaboratively to meet the needs of our patients. CRHS provides mental health counseling services to tackle issues of loss and grief, depression, psychological trauma and family dysfunction.

**WOODLEY HOUSE** (Washington, DC)- <http://woodleyhouse.org/>

Woodley House helps people with mental illness live full and healthy lives with dignity. Since 1958, we have offered a pathway to greater independence and recovery for thousands of Washington, DC area residents through safe, secure housing options and a comprehensive range of services and support. Last year we served more than 300, helping them become stable, achieve a greater understanding of their illness and work toward regaining their lives in the community. Woodley House offers support along every step of the journey toward recovery, from crisis to independence. (**Crossing Place**, a Woodley Park group home for people in crisis or who are experiencing an acute phase of their illness; **Valenti House**, our Woodley Park transitional group home for people working to transition to the next level of independent living; **Holly House**, a Shepherd Park group home specializing in longer-term housing; **Supported Independent Living Apartment Program** with apartments and condos in Northwest Washington for people who can live without daily supervision)

**CARRICK FAMILY COUNSELING** (Alexandria, VA) - <http://www.carrickfamilycounseling.com/default.html>

We're not your stereotypical therapists. Our practice is focused on healing, learning, insight and understanding. We use art therapy, mindfulness/spiritual, cognitive behavioral, emotion focused and/or solution focused approaches to help you reach greater awareness and stability. We are sensitive to your concerns and will guard your confidentiality. Carrick Family Counseling is interested in working with groups as well.

**FAMILY SERVICES FOUNDATION** (Landover Hills, Frederick, and Baltimore, MD)

<http://www.fsfinc.org/index.html>

Family Service Foundation (FSF) is a nonprofit human service organization dedicated to meeting the mental health and social service needs of the community. We take pride in the people we serve. We provide mental health and substance counseling services, day habilitation, residential programs, and developmental disability services to individuals, couples and families. We specialize in serving deaf, deaf-blind, and individuals with intellectual disabilities.

**REGIONAL ADDICTION PREVENTION, INC** (Washington, DC & Laurel, MD) <http://www.rapinc.org/>

Founded in 1970, RAP (Regional Addiction Prevention), Inc. is a not-for-profit health care and human welfare agency specializing in residential substance abuse treatment; HIV/AIDS care; emergency and transitional housing; nutritional counseling; and out-patient primary medical care. Residents and clients are adult male and female District of Columbia residents. RAP's overarching mission is to promote and enhance human health - physically, spiritually, emotionally and socially. Individualized intensive and comprehensive assessment and case management guarantee an all-inclusive care plan.

**FAIRFAX COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD** - <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/csb/>

The CSB provides services for people of all ages who have mental illness, substance use disorders, and/or intellectual disability, and for infants and toddlers with developmental delays. Most CSB services are primarily for people whose conditions seriously impact their daily functioning. Many have "co-occurring" mental health and substance use disorders. Front Door Services include entry and screening, crisis stabilization, detoxification as well as services to people who are incarcerated or court-involved; Treatment Services include outpatient and day treatment as well as intensive treatment in residential settings and in the community; and Community Living Services include daytime supported employment, group homes, support coordination, education and outreach.

**ARROW CHILD AND FAMILY MINISTRIES** (Baltimore, Bel Air, and Salisbury, MD) <http://www.arrow.org/>

Arrow Child & Family Ministries seeks a workforce of talented and committed professionals who wish to combine their passion for Christ with our mission of helping kids and strengthening families. We are committed to promoting and enhancing the positive growth of children and families through preventive, supportive, and therapeutic services. Candidates must have a desire to work in a ministry setting and share our values as outlined in our Statement of Faith and Guiding Principles.

**MOLINA HEALTHCARE** (Fairfax County) - <http://www.molinahealthcare.com/Pages/index.aspx>

Molina Healthcare, a FORTUNE 500 company, has grown into one of the leaders in providing quality healthcare for financially vulnerable individuals and families. Currently, Molina Healthcare arranges for the delivery of healthcare services or offers health information management solutions for nearly 4.3 million individuals and families who receive their care through Medicaid, Medicare and other government funded programs in 15 states.

**ANDROMEDA TRANSCULTURAL HEALTH** (Washington, DC)  
<http://www.andromedatransculturalhealth.org/default.aspx>

Andromeda's mission is to provide access to quality healthcare under the premise that all humans are inherently of equal worth but have cultural and linguistic differences that must be considered. This philosophy reflects a high level of community health care that has been validated by over three decades of direct service to minorities and underserved populations.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY CRISIS CENTER** (Rockville, MD) -

[http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhstmpl.asp?url=/content/hhs/crisis\\_center/default.asp](http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhstmpl.asp?url=/content/hhs/crisis_center/default.asp)

Montgomery County Crisis Center provides immediate response to crisis situations for all residents of Montgomery County, Maryland. The center provides goal-oriented crisis intervention, brief crisis stabilization, and help in obtaining services for individuals and families with a mental health crisis or experiencing other crisis situations.

**BALTIMORE ADOLESCENT TREATMENT AND GUIDANCE ORGANIZATION** (Baltimore, MD)

<http://www.batgo.org/>

Young people need skills that will enable them to mature into self-fulfilling, self-sufficient adults. BATGO creates a total environment and community of support which promotes each young person's strength. BATGO Treatment Foster Parents enable youths to acquire the interpersonal and technical skills that will empower them to succeed. BATGO works individually with each young person in a treatment foster home, teaches each young person to become a productive member of society, and maintain positive self-esteem. Access to community based treatment, individual & family therapy, substance abuse education & intervention, and vocational & educational training are critical elements of a successful program.

**FIRST HOME CARE** (Alexandria, VA & Washington, DC) - <http://www.firsthomecare.com/>

First Home Care offers a continuum of mental health services that enable children, adults, and families to receive the care they need in their homes and communities, thereby reducing the need for more costly and restrictive levels of care and placements. Our services target those individuals deemed "hard to serve" due to multiple system involvement or clinically complex treatment histories requiring access to an array of mental health services and supports.

**SHELTER HOUSE** (Fairfax County, VA) - <http://www.shelterhouse.org/>

Shelter House, Inc. is a community-based, non-profit organization serving homeless families in Fairfax County, Virginia. Shelter House carries out its mission in partnership with Fairfax County, local human services agencies, a wide variety of ecumenical groups and community organizations as well as private sector sponsors and friends. Shelter House programs have a three-fold purpose: To provide a secure, structured environment where families can regain a sense of stability and perspective; To respond to identified client needs with a variety of supportive services, which enhance the individual's employment and housing status, educational level, medical care and personal growth; and To promote healthy, stable families who are connected to a network of community supporters and opportunities.



**DOORWAYS** (Northern VA) - <http://www.doorwaysva.org/>

We see a future without homelessness - or domestic violence. And it's why we create pathways out of domestic violence and homelessness toward safe and stable lives. There is no single cause of family homelessness, and no single service that can help families overcome their barriers to independence. Family trauma impacts nearly every aspect of family functioning, so our services target to multiple life areas for adults and children. You'll find services that are comprehensive, family-centered and strength-based. We invest the time, service intensity, and scope of care necessary to teach families to succeed long-term. We come from diverse backgrounds but have the same passion and dedication for seeing families achieve and sustain long-term independence.

**INOVA JUNIPER PROGRAM** (Northern VA) <http://www.inova.org/healthcare-services/hiv/index.jsp>

Inova Juniper Program is Northern Virginia's largest provider of HIV/AIDS care. We are proud to offer all aspects of primary medical care and mental health, substance abuse and case management services to HIV positive individuals along with a history of delivering compassionate HIV/AIDS clinical and education services. Our convenient services are available at locations around Northern Virginia. Inova Juniper Program's clinical services for people living with HIV include primary medical care, case management services, mental health therapy, psychiatric services, nutritional counseling, dental services, and medication assistance.

**THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL** (Jefferson, MD) - <http://thejeffersonschool.org/>

The school's goal is to lay a solid therapeutic foundation so students can return to their homes, schools and communities. Using the philosophy of The Circle of Courage, our goal is to build resiliency in our youth by responding to their needs, rather than reacting to their problems. We seek to meet the universal human needs to belong, to master, to achieve independence and to display generosity towards others. The disabilities served are students with primary – emotional disturbance, behavior disorders and secondary – learning, developmental and post traumatic stress disorders. The Jefferson School's specialized programs include Expressive Therapies Program, Equine Assisted Therapies Program, Occupational Therapy and Life Skills Program, and R.I.V.E.R.S. Program for youth with sexually offending behaviors.

**ST. LUKES HOUSE THRESHOLD UNITED** (Bethesda, MD) <http://www.stlukeshouse.org/>

Welcome to the website of St. Luke's House and Threshold Services UNITED. Our two organizations have worked together informally for many years to bring the best possible treatment options, residential facilities, and vocational rehabilitation to people who have serious and persistent mental illness or co-occurring mental illness and substance use disorders. Now, the combined St. Luke's House and Threshold Services UNITED is the largest provider of mental health services in Montgomery County, serving more than 2500 individuals each year.