



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**About the Position:** The Office of Women's Health, Delta Center of Excellence in Maternal Health Program is seeking to fill three (3) Social Services Specialist I positions.

**Job Responsibilities:** This position will functionally serve as a Community Health Worker (CHW) for the program. The CHW will be assigned to support a program providing post-partum home visiting support services to women in 1-2 counties across a 5-county area (Washington, Bolivar, Carroll, Humphreys, and/or Scott). The CHW will organize activities to provide face-to-face educational programming regarding postpartum health and well-being to small groups within their catchment areas. Upon referral from a nurse, the CHW will have direct contact with the postpartum patient to complete the required home visits and any required or recommended assessment, provide services to the patient and families as indicated by a postpartum plan of care, address barriers and needs within their scope, provide health education and supportive counseling, and/or participate in case conferencing providing guidance and recommendations for the continued postpartum care of the patient.

**To be Successful:** Successful employees need to have strong communication and interpersonal skills, ability to establish rapport with families and empower them by building on their strengths, strong organizational and record-keeping skills, public speaking, ability to work independently, familiarity with issues surrounding family poverty, commitment to working with diverse people and families, provide services in a culturally appropriate/sensitive manner, maintain professional boundaries and confidentiality, demonstrate ability to work as an effective team member. Must be able to travel across a 1-2 county catchment area and provide services in the homes of participants.

**Salary Range:** \$28,542.30

**Schedule:** 40 hours/week

**Location(s):** Base is TBD. Must be able to travel across 1-2 of the following counties daily (Washington, Bolivar, Carroll, Humphreys, and Scott counties.)

**Preferred Qualifications:** Typically requires a Bachelor's Degree and 0-2 years of experience.

**Reference Job Action #:** 17061

**How to Apply:** Interested applicants should submit: 1.) Cover letter indicating the location(s) for which he/she is applying; 2.) State of Mississippi Employment Application and/or résumé through [MSDH Online Application](#).

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