



#### Introduction

- Values of lived experience, recovery-oriented perspective,
  PEI, and innovation are central to the MHSA.
- The Commission will establish two paid, year-long, highlevel policy fellowships for a mental health consumer and for a mental health clinician.
- To ensure that the perspective and participation of diverse community members reflective of California populations and others suffering from severe mental illness and their family members is a significant factor in all of its decisions and recommendations.



#### **Opportunities for the State and Commission**

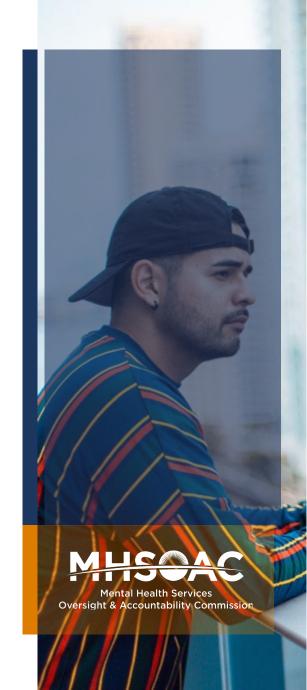
- Bring the voice and expertise of mental health consumers and clinicians to State mental health policy and planning.
- Ensure that the work of the Commission is accessible and understandable to mental health consumers, mental health professionals, and the general public.
- Enhance opportunities for the work of the commission to reflect the perspective of persons with lived experience and state-of-theart practices in the mental health field.
- Strengthen the role of public policy, fiscal strategies, use of data, research, and evaluation; and communication strategies to improve mental health outcomes in California.

#### **Opportunities for the Fellows**

- Provide an experiential learning opportunity for a mental health consumer and a mental health professional.
- Participate in mental health policy making at the State level.
- Engage a diverse audience of stakeholders to inform policy and practice.
- Use research and communication strategies to inform policy makers and the public about the perspectives of consumers and clinicians.
- Attend site visits and conferences.
- Lead self-directed projects for the Commission.

# **Program Design**

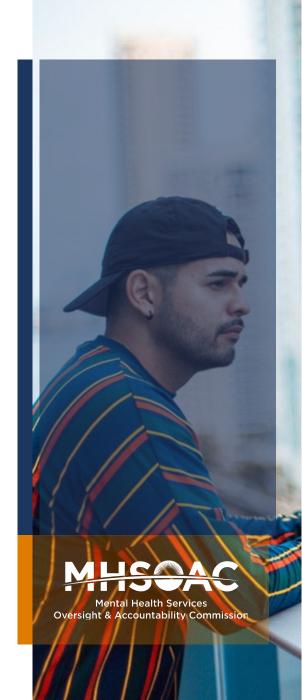
- Peer and clinician will participate in Commission projects that drive transformational change in the mental health system in California (~80% of time)
- Leverage expertise to design own projects and complete in one year (~20% of time)



# **Commission Project Opportunities**

- Granting
- INN and PEI
- Policy Projects
- Racial Equity Plan
- Workplace Mental Health

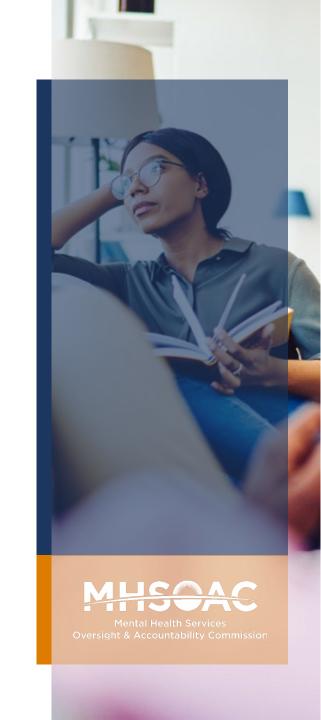
- Research and Evaluation
- Communication
- Other special projects





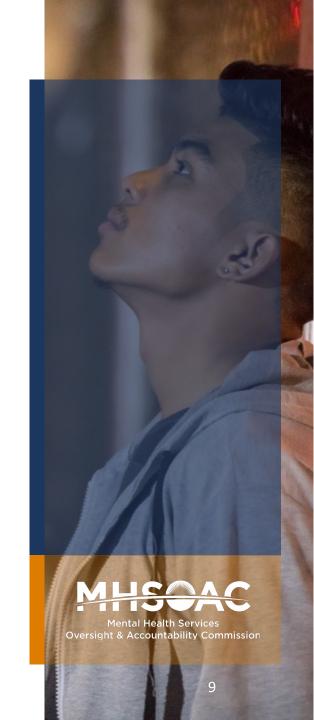
# **Application Packet**

- Application
- Description of Self-Directed Project
- Statement of Opportunity
- Calendar
- FAQ's
- Sample day



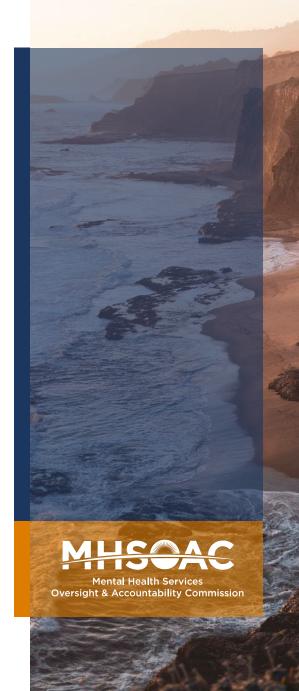
#### **Outreach and Recruitment**

- Engage with stakeholders and connect with their digital marketing personnel to advertise
- Link with mental health provider organizations and affiliates
- Existing peer providers and community health workers
- Advertise on the front page of the Commission website
- Universities



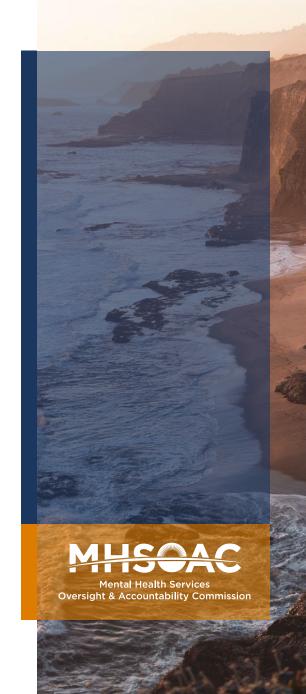
# **Eligibility**

- Clinician:
  - Master's Degree or Pre/Post Doctorate Degree (psychology, law, social work, public health or related field).
- Peer Consumer:
  - No education requirement. Minimum two years of experience working in front-line community-based work.
  - An individual with lived experience of mental health and/or substance abuse in active recovery .



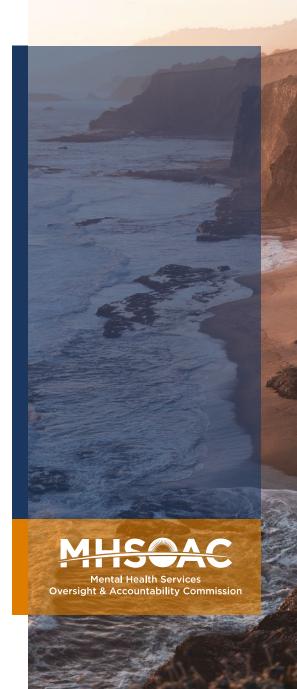
# **Hiring: Desired Qualifications**

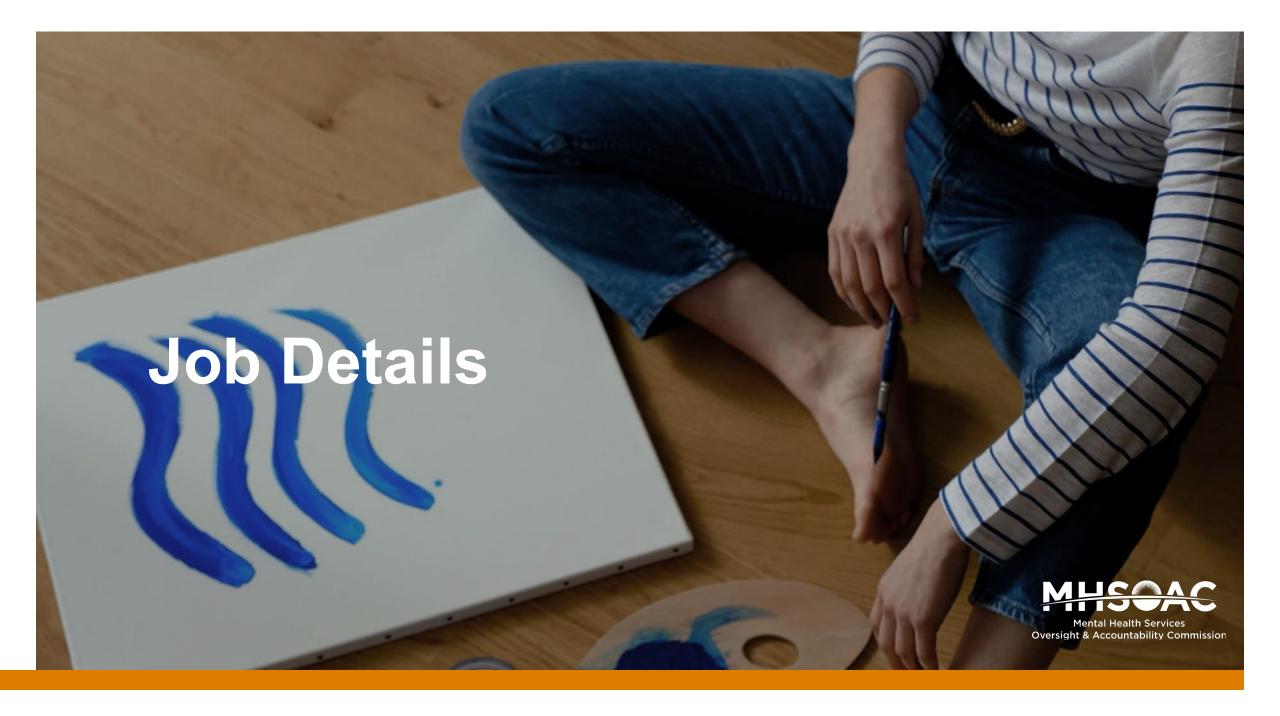
- Familiarity with the Mental Health Services Act
- Experience working with California mental health systems
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Strong organizational skills with the ability to handle multiple projects
- Ability to work collaboratively and with flexibility
- Preference for bilingual individuals



# **Hiring: Application**

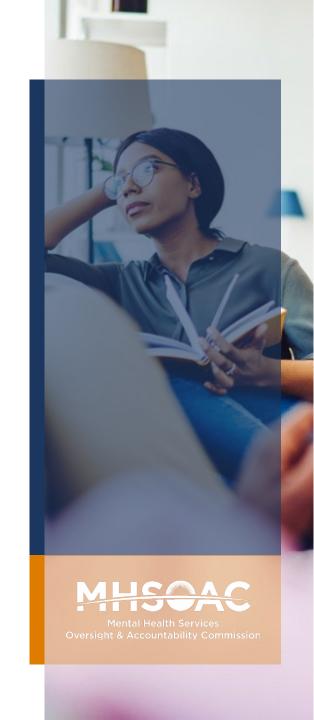
- Writing sample that demonstrates strong communication and writing skills 500 words
- Social media outreach blog sample
- Proposed self-directed project
- Three (3) letters of recommendation or references
- Oral interview
- Standard State Application-678

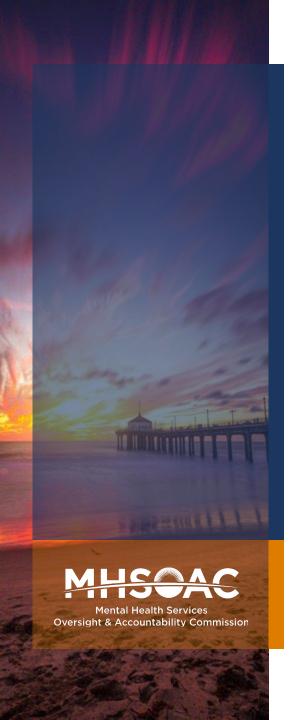




# **Job Details: Pay and Benefits**

- Classification: Special Consultant Under general direction, on a limited-term basis, to render expert assistance as a consultant on a program; and to do other related work. This is a non-testing classification.
- Compensation: \$26.50 \$33.00 dollars per hour (40-50k annual)
- Benefits: Health, Dental, Vision if working half-time or more
- Appointment duration: 189 days within a 12 month period
  approximately ¾ time
- Mostly telework, but available for in-person meetings



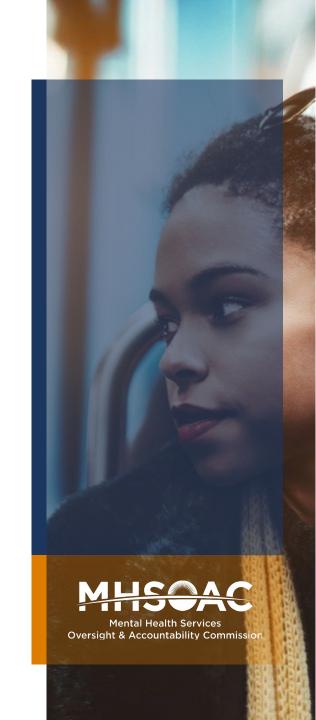


# **Training and Orientation**

- Work with non-profits, peer advocacy organizations, and universities for external training opportunities.
- Policy training and learning experiences with the California Legislature.
- Training in provider self care.
- Training on global health policy.

# **Supervisory Mentor Model**

- Meeting weekly
- Supervisors and mentors-separate the two roles.
  - It is a safer relationship when mentorship is provided outside of supervision, and it provides another person to share concerns and ideas with.



# Feedback and Quality Improvement

- Reciprocal evaluation
- Utilize feedback to improve the fellowship each year
- Should be framed as an exit interview
  - What did you learn?
  - What was difficult?
  - How did it benefit you in your professional growth?

