



**Canadian Mental  
Health Association**  
Lambton Kent  
*Mental health for all*

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pour la santé mentale**  
Filiale de Lambton Kent  
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**Housing Case Manager**  
**1 Full Time Contract until December 31, 2019 (Chatham Site)**

The Canadian Mental Health Association Lambton Kent Branch is proud to be a merged community agency serving the mental health needs of Lambton County and the Municipality of Chatham-Kent.

Our vision is to have mentally healthy people in a healthy society. As a leader and champion for mental health, CMHA Lambton Kent provides services and facilitates access to the resources people require to maintain and improve mental health. Our efforts promote community integration, build resilience, and support recovery from mental illness.

This position is responsible for establishing permanent housing for individuals who have a serious mental illness and are homeless or at risk of being homeless. Through an integrated support model, this worker will work in conjunction with the Housing and Case Management teams to aid clients in securing and maintaining safe, affordable housing in the community. The incumbent will provide assessment and crisis support for clients that are not involved in Case Management Services.

Reporting to the Housing Supervisor, the incumbent will be responsible for the following functions:

- Working cooperatively with clients and their Clinical Case Manager to address housing needs
- Developing, seek out and recommend potential market based landlords
- Providing InterRAI CMH and other assessments when required for those clients that are not in receipt of Case Management Services
- Implementing client centered approaches to promote housing stability
- Providing crisis prevention and intervention planning if needed with the hope of preventing a relapse and/or hospitalization
- Providing short non-intrusive monitoring support
- Assisting clients to access services required
- Program functions under the Housing First model
- Responsibility of the Housing Program is to provide healthcare assessments

**Qualifications:**

- Post-secondary degree in Social Work from an accredited university with current registration with the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers; a Registered Nurse with current registration with the College of Nurses of Ontario (preferably with Canadian Certification in Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing), Registered Practical Nurse with current registration with the College of Nurses of Ontario or a relevant Post-secondary degree in a Relevant Discipline with a current Certification in Addictions Counselling (CCACF).
- Experience and a detailed knowledge of serious mental illness, usually gained by several years of working with this population
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence and access to a vehicle are required



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**Skills required:**

- Knowledge required to assess and support clients with Concurrent Disorders;
- Understanding of the rental housing market including conducting apartment search;
- Crisis or Suicide Intervention training is an asset;
- CPR training;
- Must have strong assessment skills;
- Must have extensive knowledge of serious mental illness and trends in the provision of support services to adults with serious mental illness;
- Extensive knowledge of the Mental Health Act, as well as relevant legislation specific to individuals with a serious mental illness;
- Planning and organization skills to facilitate advocacy and support coordination/service access;
- Extensive knowledge of the support/treatment services network in Chatham Kent and of regional services commonly accessed by the program;
- Extremely well developed written and verbal communication skills;
- Working knowledge of computers with skill in the use of email and Microsoft Office; and
- Proficiency in both official languages will be considered an asset.

**Hours of Work:** 35 hours/week. Flexible hours are required to meet the position requirements.

**Salary:** Commensurate with experience within the range: \$46,930 - \$72,669

Applicants should submit a covering letter and resume by August 2, 2019 to:

**Lynne Whyte, Human Resources Generalist**  
Canadian Mental Health Association  
Lambton Kent Branch  
240 Grand Ave West, Suite 100, Chatham ON, N7L 1C1  
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**Please quote: Job Posting #28-2019**

*Canadian Mental Health Association – Lambton Kent is committed to a workplace reflecting the diversity of the community it serves and encourages applications from all qualified candidates, including women, members of visible minorities, Aboriginal Peoples and persons with disabilities. If you require an accommodation, we will work with you to meet your needs. This information is available in an alternative format upon request, to accommodate individuals with a disability. While we thank all applicants for their interest, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. If contacted for an interview, please inform us should accommodation be required.*