

July 8, 2021

RUSELLE DEBONIS
1051 RIEHL ST
WATERLOO, IA 50703

Dear RUSELLE,

The Civil Commitment Unit for Sexual Offenders (CCUSO) in Cherokee, Iowa, is seeking an energetic and patient-focused **Nurse Practitioner** to provide care and treatment to patients.

The Civil Commitment Unit for Sexual Offenders (CCUSO) provides state-of-the-art treatment to patients in order to lower their risk of re-offending and to release them from confinement as quickly and safely as possible. CCUSO's mission is to provide intensive treatment for persons involuntarily committed as sexual offenders who are deemed likely to re-offend. There is a full range of diagnostic, treatment, and rehabilitative services focused on addressing the conditions affecting a patient's likelihood of re-offending.

The Nurse Practitioner will treat their assigned patients in collaboration with a multi-disciplinary team. General duties include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Conducts ongoing assessment including health and developmental history, psychosocial history, physical examination, and diagnostic testing.
- Assesses, diagnoses, and treats medical and psychiatric problems.
- Initiates medical or nursing orders; interprets nursing and clinical assessments; implements advancements in patient care.
- Reviews, evaluates, and documents patient response to care.
- Completes daily unit/patient rounds.
- Communicates effectively with patients, families, and other clinical staff who are involved in the patient's direct care.
- Works as a member of a multi-disciplinary team to develop and carry out an individualized plan of care.
- Completes progress notes according to the level of care the patient is receiving and as per facility guidelines. This includes medication adjustments/changes, changes in diagnosis, mental status, medical/psychiatric issues, and progress towards goals set forth in the plan of care.
- Performs clinical duties such as admission rotations, on-call, committee assignments, in-service training, supervision or consultation with other disciplines, staff development, quality assurance, and other duties as assigned.

The city of Cherokee has a population of approximately 5,000 and is located in Northwestern Iowa. For a smaller community, Cherokee offers amenities often found only in larger cities, including a regional medical center, a wellness center, a community theater, a dedicated school district, golf course, miles of walking trails, seasonal and annual festivals, city and county parks, and much more. Nestled in the beautiful Cherokee Valley, the community boasts a rustic yet thriving downtown area and offers several restaurants, shopping opportunities, and services. Cherokee is located within one (1) hour of Sioux City and is two (2) hours from Omaha and Sioux Falls.

This position offers a salary range from \$76,336.00 to \$117,020.80 (depending on qualifications). A generous benefit package is also included. Additionally, on-campus housing may be available (lease/fees apply). Relocation agreements can also be negotiated. I invite you to visit the State of Iowa's Career page (<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/iowa>) to review the position description and application requirements. If you need additional information, please contact Cory Turner (cturner@dhs.state.ia.us or 712-225-6948) or Christine Rupp (crupp@dhs.state.ia.us or 712-225-6918).

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,
Cory Turner, M.L.S., Superintendent