

Peer Counselor (Multiple Postings) NYC Health + Hospitals

Position Summary:

We have several exciting opportunities to join our team as a **Peer Counselor at NYC Health + Hospitals**. There are multiple openings for Peer Counselors in the following programs:

Jacobi in the Bronx	CPEP, Mobile Crisis, Outpatient Mental Health, Outpatient Substance Use, Peer Health Coach
Lincoln in the Bronx	Inpatient
Elmhurst in Queens	Peer Health Coach, plus other open positions
Kings County in Brooklyn	Open positions
Coney Island in Brooklyn	Inpatient (Russian speaking a plus)
Bellevue in Manhattan	Peer Health Coach
Metropolitan in Manhattan	Inpatient, Peer Health Coach

Basic Job Description:

1. Assists the consumer with activities of daily living, e.g. setting up household, public transportation, budgeting, shopping, socializing, parenting and other skills relevant to an individual's rehabilitation goals. May make home visits.
2. Leads or co-leads groups including, but not limited to dual diagnoses issues, relapse and recovery and socialization.
3. Assists the consumer in identifying their own individual warning signs of relapse and identifying and developing individual coping strategies.
4. Provides supportive peer counseling with respect to mental health, substance abuse, rehabilitation strategies and self-help opportunities.
5. Participates in an interdisciplinary treatment and human services team in determining and implementing a comprehensive plan of care.
6. Clarifies issues for the consumer and assists with the process of referral for treatment, rehabilitation, housing and supportive services. Follows-up to determine whether services were provided and used.
7. Assists the consumer in completing applications and paper work for public entitlements and may accompany consumer on visits to agency offices and treatment programs.
8. Acts as liaison with community and governmental agencies.
9. Facilitates the establishment of peer support networks, natural and social support systems.
10. Maintains current, complete and appropriate documentation in the consumer record, prepares required forms, and may be required to use computer systems in carrying out these functions. Documents in Electronic Health Record (EHR) and writes progress notes for review.

Qualifications

For Assignments in Mental Health:

1. Certification as a Peer Specialist (NYCPS) or Peer Specialist-Provisional (NYCPS-P) issued by the New York Peer Specialist Certification Board (NYPSCB); **AND**
2. Satisfactory and documented completion of a formalized Peer Counselor/Specialist Training Program or one (1) year of full-time satisfactory experience working with consumers of mental health services as a peer counselor/specialist, peer advocate or in related human services.

For Assignments in Substance Use:

1. Certification as a Recovery Peer Advocate (CRPA) or Recovery Peer Advocate-Provisional (CRPA-P) issued by the New York Certification Board (ASAP-NYCB); **AND**
2. Satisfactory and documented completion of a formalized Peer Counselor/Specialist Training Program or one (1) year of full-time satisfactory experience working with consumers of substance use disorder services as a peer counselor/specialist, peer advocate or in related human services.

Competitive salary and benefits.

Send resume and cover letter to (please state the location/position you are interested in):

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