



Mission Statement: “To empower and inspire people of all communities to identify, pursue and sustain healthy, meaningful lives”.

MHAW strives to develop an authentic, diverse workforce that embraces, creates, respects and demonstrates *diversity, equity, and inclusiveness* in the work environment, towards one another and those we serve. We recognize that our agency is strongest when we all embrace the full spectrum of diversity and experience. We actively seek to employ a diverse workforce representative of the communities we serve.

MHAW is a pro-vaccination agency, and has required all staff to be fully vaccinated and encourages service recipients to be vaccinated against Covid-19.

Position: Veteran Peer Mentor
Location: Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project, Suffolk County, NY
Availability: Immediately; Part-Time & Per-Diem, up to 10 hours per week as needed
Salary: \$21.79 per hour

The Veteran Peer Mentor is an individual who has served in the United States armed forces (preferably including at least one tour of duty), who can serve as a positive example, and is committed to assisting other veterans, and their family members in achieving successful reintegration and personal wellness following separation from active duty.

Responsibilities:

- Engage veterans and family members on an individual basis as needed
- Co-Facilitate peer support groups weekly at sites to be identified
- Mentor group participants, individuals, and their family members, through phone, e-mail and face-to-face contacts and link to needed community resources and services
- Commit to initial and ongoing peer mentor training and supervision as required
- Complete reports on group attendance, individual contacts, travel and expenses in a timely manner
- Assist project leadership with publicizing the Dwyer Project through a range of activities, including but not limited to, literature distribution at assigned events, media interviews, panel discussions and conferences as schedule permits

Qualifications:

- Honorably Discharged Veteran of one of the United States armed services, or currently serving National Guard or Reserve member
- Attendance at one Dwyer Project Peer Support Group meeting (either as a group member or Dwyer Project job applicant)
- Previous experience participating in and/or facilitating a self-help group preferred
- Knowledge of community services for Veterans and their families preferred
- Commitment to learning and growing as a provider of peer support
- Complete a face-to-face interview and all employment application forms
- Comply with all requested background checks
- Must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19

Additional Position Requirements:

- Maintain valid driver’s license

* Association for Mental Health and Wellness is offering a onetime sign on bonus for individuals hired with the agency upon successful completion of an introductory period.

Please send a copy of your DD 214, resume and cover letter expressing your interest in this position to:

Kathy Elfers, Human Resources Director

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