

JusticePoint Peer Support Specialist - Certified

Job Description

The JusticePoint Peer Specialist - Certified (PS-C) engages and encourages peers in recovery. The PS-C will function as a role model to peers by demonstrating competency in personal recovery and the use of coping/recovery skills. The goal is to promote engagement, self-direction, and recovery skills so the peer can gain independent mastery over their own recovery. The PS-C works with peers as equals. The position would work with a diverse group of high-risk, high-need, justice-involved individuals.

This opening is not a general case management or social work position. It is specifically for individuals who have or are seeking Peer Specialist certification, have a history of diagnosed mental health and/or AODA issues, and are willing to openly share their recovery story. Those applying for the position should be able to understand and articulate the role and duties of a Peer Specialist - Certified.

Qualifications

- Personal experience with successful sobriety and/or recovery for at least the last year prior to date of hire
- Basic office and computer skills required, including use of Microsoft Office products and general ability to learn and utilize databases
- *-Preferred-* Certified Peer Support Specialist through the State of Wisconsin OR willing and able to become certified within 12 months of hire date
- *-Preferred-* Experience in facilitation of curriculum-based group programming, such as Wellness Action Recovery Plans (WRAP), Seeking Safety, or Thinking for a Change (T4C)

Responsibilities

- Be mindful of the ethics, boundaries, power and control issues unique to the PS-C role
- Provide trauma informed, culturally sensitive, and age appropriate services specific to each peer
- Maintain accurate, timely, and appropriate records as well as the privacy of those records
- Engage peers individually or in groups using evidence-based tools and curricula to teach social skills, problem solving, coping and recovery skills, and mindfulness or grounding skills
- Model, and be willing to role-play, social and recovery skills as necessary to promote self-empowerment of peers
- Share their personal experiences and the skills, strengths, and supports they use for recovery
- Encourage peers to become self-directed, focus on their strengths, exercise use of natural supports, develop their own recovery goals and strengthen valued roles within their community
- Research, locate, and engage resources that are beneficial to peers needs and desires
- Maintain a working knowledge of trends and developments in the mental health, social work, and AODA field by reading relevant materials and/or by attending training opportunities
- Other duties as assigned that are consistent with the role of a PS-C

Position Terms

- Part-Time, hourly position
- Starting Pay of \$13-\$15/hour based on certification

Deadline to apply: 10/15/2020

To apply for this position, visit the jobs section of the JusticePoint website, www.justicepoint.org/jobs. You will be required to upload a resume and cover letter.

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