



Job Title: Certified Peer Specialist		Unit: Behavioral Health Crisis Center
Status: Full Time		Location of Position: Athens, GA
Posting Date: April 3, 2019	Application Deadline Date: Until filled	Number of Openings: multiple openings

Certified Peer Specialist

Position summary: Provides a broad range of paraprofessional social services to patients/clients and occasionally their families. Assists with patient/client/consumer intakes, participates in treatment team planning, and performs crisis intervention as needed. Assists in dealing with personal and social problems. Provides group skills training daily to consumers and serves as a liaison for social services. May perform occasional case management duties.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provides a wide range of psychosocial group services to clients attending the psychosocial rehabilitation program
- Assists clients in locating and utilizing community resources including legal, medical, financial assistance, and other referral services
- Meets with clients/clients' families as needed to address issues and work on skills as listed in treatment plan goals. Could be in the form of home or school visits or community outings
- Keeps documentation of face to face group and individual sessions and collaborative sessions with each client and/or service provider.
- Transports, or makes arrangements for transportation of, clients to appointments in a timely manner
- Contacts clients/client guardians in order to gain updates on clients' progress or lack of progress.
- Contacts other health care professionals within or outside the organization to obtain consumer background information in accordance with established guidelines.
- Collaborates with service providers in addressing concerns and treatment planning changes or additions
- Complies with regulations on confidentiality of client information as specified by established policy.
- As needed to support the Team Leader, completes client/consumer intakes based on interviews with clients, their families, significant others and appropriate community agencies
- Develops and effectively maintains a network of appropriate community contacts.
- Provides appropriate information and/or input in meetings pertaining to case management and case collaboration
- Provides social and psychological support to clients and their families through listening and discussing problems and progress as necessary.
- Provides short-term case management and referral services to clients with emergency situations
- Other duties as assigned by Clinic/Program Manager

Minimum Qualifications:

High school diploma or GED AND two years' experience in a social services related position OR Bachelor's degree in a social services related field OR One year at the lower level or position equivalent.

*****Must Have*****

Certificates, Licenses, Registrations: CPS (Certified Peer Specialist) through Georgia Mental Health Consumer Network OR CPS (C.A.R.E.S.) through GA Council on Substance Abuse OR CPS eligible.

To APPLY

Applications must be received by the deadline date to be considered. Apply for the available position by submitting your resume to kallen@advantagebhs.org. Once your resume is considered, you will be asked to complete the State Application.

State application can be found at <http://www.advantagebhs.org/employee-forms.cms>.

Advantage Behavioral Health Systems
Human Resource Recruiter
250 North Avenue, Athens, Georgia 30601

Applicants are subject to criminal records, drug screening, employment, and/or background checks.

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