

Mobile Psychiatric Nurse

OVERALL OBJECTIVE OF JOB

This position is responsible to assist individuals with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) who are residing in a community setting who have experienced difficulties in managing their psychiatric medications as prescribed. This position will provide mobile nursing services to these individuals as indicated and assist them in the managing of their prescribed dosing, educating them as to their mental health symptomology, medication side effects, and monitor their compliance of their prescribed dosing. It is expected that as consumers gain skills and knowledge related to their medication needs, their symptoms will stabilize, their risk of hospitalization will decrease, and they will be better able to adhere to their outpatient service needs.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF JOB

1. Receive and process opening of referrals as received by the Case Management Coordinator or Lead Program Nurse as assigned.
2. Completion of initial paperwork requirements including the service intensity matrix on all assigned referrals.
3. Develop and implement a mobile medication plan for each consumer as it relates to their psychiatric medication needs identifying their measurable goals and objectives as well as the consumer's and RN/LPN role in the plan.
4. Position will administer/monitor medication compliance through scheduled face to face, collateral, and phone contact with consumers as well as consumer's treatment team including psychiatrist, primary care physician, specialists, pharmacist, case manager, peer specialist, etc.
5. Position will be responsible to take vital signs on consumers including blood pressure, temperature, pulse, and record in the consumer's chart.
6. Position will monitor consumer's symptoms, medication side effects, and co-occurring physical health concerns as it relates to their care and coordinate needed intervention with the treatment team.
7. Completes timely and accurate reporting and record keeping related to service delivery as required by programmatic requirements including creating, updating, and maintaining client files and inputting data/service entries into the Susquehanna or other appropriate IT systems.
8. Will work cooperatively with all public and private agencies including mental health providers, drug and alcohol providers, state institutions and agencies, residential programs, educational providers, community resources, and natural supports.
9. Will encounter confidential information, is responsible for adhering to all agency confidentiality policies, and must maintain strict consumer confidentiality as defined by state and federal law.
10. Will develop outcome based data related to individuals that participate in the program related to hospital admission rates, treatment compliance/completion,

and other areas as requested by Case Management Coordinator or Lead Program Nurse.

11. Position is responsible to meet department productivity standards as it relates to direct service unit expectations.

OTHER DUTIES OF THE JOB

1. Participates in departmental functions to support organizational philosophies and mission.
2. Participates in Quality Assurance activities as required to ensure program compliance with State/Federal regulations and to promote and enhance the quality of program service delivery.
3. Will attend and complete mandated trainings and those trainings assigned by their immediate supervisor related to job responsibilities and functions.
4. Performs other job-related duties and support services as required and assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS: EDUCATION/TRAINING/WORK EXPERIENCE

- RN or Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- A minimum of one year prior experience providing psychiatric nursing service in a community, residential, inpatient, or outpatient setting.
- Must possess a valid driver's license and/or access to reliable transportation.
- Will be required to obtain necessary clearances, i.e.; PA Child Abuse, PA Criminal Record and Federal FBI clearance.

Excellent wage and fringe benefits offered.

Interested candidates may download the BHC application from our website. Or you may pick up or call for an application by contacting the Mercer County BHC office at 724-662-1550.

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Mercer, PA 16137

Email application to: karen.myers@mercercountybhc.org

Fax application to: 724-893-1067

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