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OPEN: June 25, 2009
Job Title: Clinical Case Manager – SAGE
Supervised by: SAGE Clinical Supervisor
Union Status: Represented by SEIU1199
Pay: CM I \$31,815 - \$35,943 DOE
CM II \$36,450 - \$40,578 DOE
Hours: Full-time (37.5 hrs/week), Salaried, Exempt position

JOB DEFINITION:

The SAGE Case Manager is a member of multi-disciplinary team responsible for providing long-term case management services to adults with severe and persistent mental illnesses. Many of our consumers are homeless or were formerly homeless, many have co-occurring disorders, one half are minority group members, and most are male. Minority applicants are encouraged to apply.

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Participate as a member of a multi-disciplinary team providing on-going case management services to adults with severe and persistent mental illnesses.
- Provide outreach and engagement services to assigned clients, to initially engage clients and maintain working relationships
- Conduct psychosocial assessments; develop goal planners with consumer participation; facilitate linkages to collaborative resources when appropriate.
- Assume primary responsibility for coordinating all aspects of consumers' support and goal planners. This includes: providing and/or coordinating the delivery of psychiatric treatment; substance abuse treatment; 24-hour support services; and performing acute case management to facilitate consumer access to food, clothing, housing, medical care, financial assistance and vocational training or employment.
- Advocate for consumers' access to community resources and services, ensuring that consumers' needs are met and rights maintained; consult and collaborate with community providers to ensure continuity of care.
- Participate in the planning, organizing and facilitating of group treatment services for consumers served by the mental health program.
- Travel locally to outreach consumers; make home visits and assist with home inspections.
- Provide crisis intervention and risk assessment; tolerate unusual or unpleasant behavior.
- Provide counseling, as qualified.
- Fulfill role of protective payee for some consumers on behalf of the agency, creating monthly budgets with consumers, distributing funds and assisting with purchases.
- Document services provided.
- Participate in psychiatric consultation, supervision, program meetings and in-service trainings; participate in clinical reviews and case conferences for consumers on caseload.
- Comply with the agency's clinical accountability policies and procedures; maintain current and complete clinical and administrative records; participate in quality assurance reviews when assigned.
- Comply with applicable program research and evaluation procedures.
- Other duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- BA/BS degree in a social, behavioral science or related field.
- Experience working with mentally ill, homeless and/or substance abusers.
- Interest or experience in working with consumers who are difficult to engage and maintain in traditional mental health programs.
- Ability to meet state requirements for registration as a counselor.
- Ability to communicate and work effectively with staff from various backgrounds.
- Subscribe to the philosophy of cooperation and continuity across programs and of consideration and respect for consumers.



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- Washington State Driver's License.
- Knowledge of Recovery focused, strengths based work in Mental Health.
- MSW or a Masters degree in a related field is preferred.
- Bilingual (Spanish/English) is a plus but not required.
- Bicultural background/experience and/or Qualified Minority Mental Health Specialist designation is helpful.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Submit a Cover Letter and Resume to: DESC-SAGE, ATTN: Human Resources, 515 3rd Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104, or email in Word document to hr@desc.org, or fax to – (206) 515-1501

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