

Certified Peer Specialist job opportunity with CMSU Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

Employer Name:

CMSU Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

Location:

Columbia, Montour, Snyder, and Union Counties

Position:

Certified Peer Specialist

Hours:

Full or Part-Time

Position Description:

CMSU is a county-funded recovery oriented agency that has opportunities for Certified Peer Specialists to share in its vision "To create an environment where hope leads to recovery and recovery leads to hope."

Certified Peer Specialists (CPS) play an important role in fulfilling CMSU's mission "To participate actively in a community-wide partnership to support residents of Columbia, Montour, Snyder, and Union Counties in achieving independence and personal development in order to enhance their quality of life."

CMSU will have several job opportunities in the near future for Certified Peer Specialists to work in its Peer-Run Crisis Residential Program. The program is a short-term alternative to hospitalization for individuals who are experiencing an acute crisis. The CPS will assist individuals with developing crisis plans and post-crisis plans such as WRAP, Personal Medicine, and other recovery oriented coping skills during a short stay of 5 to 7 days in the program.

The CPS will demonstrate an understanding of the recovery model and serve as a role model for people with serious mental illness to assist them with their recovery from acute crises.

Job Requirements:

PCB or OMHSAS Certification as a Peer Support Specialist (CPS training can be provided if not already certified) Individuals in need of CPS Certification must have a High School diploma or GED and meet other eligibility requirements prior to CPS Certification training.

A self-identified mental health consumer age 18 or older who has received or is receiving state mental health services as defined in OMHSAS MH Bulletin 16-12: Serious Mental Illness or Serious Emotional Disturbance. In addition, within the last three years, have either maintained at least 12 months of successful paid work or volunteer experience, or earned at least 24 credit hours at a college or post-secondary educational institution.

Completion of Child Abuse & Criminal History clearances.

Job requirements (Cont'd):

Valid driver's license or willing to obtain a driver's license.

A reliable method of transportation to and from the work place as scheduled is essential.

Ability to establish a trusting relationship with peers.

Basic computer skills or ability to learn how to complete electronic documentation

CPS will work in conjunction with community service providers to assist people in crisis to build social and personal skills that will enhance their recovery.

Additional training:

CMSU can assist with WRAP 1 training if it was not included in your CPS training

CMSU and OMHSAS will provide CPS Crisis skills training

Instructions on How to apply:

Phone or email inquiry to Richard Beach, CMSU Administrator,

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