

Contract Peer Support Specialist

Job Title: Contract Peer Support Specialist (PT)

Reports To: Program Director Behavioral Health

Position Status: This is a contract position; pre-scheduled appointment hours to support 24/7 Center for Women operation

Program Description: The Center for Community Transitions (CCT) is a Charlotte, NC based nonprofit that supports justice-involved individuals and their families find healthier and more productive ways of living.

Position Description: This contracted position will provide a range of client services to include assessment of individual and/or departmental needs, short-term treatment, referral, crisis intervention and life skills training that help CCT residents/clients make positive behavior changes.

Confidentiality: CCT employees have an obligation to respect the privacy of CCT clients and to keep information obtained in confidence. Each employee will sign a code of ethics statement.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provide peer support services, including individual support meetings, recovery strategies, and transition assistance to the residents at CCT's Center for Women.
- Use WRAP plan and/or other relevant curriculum to support residents.
- Determines evaluation methodology and establishes appropriate support techniques.
- Leads residents to the development of strategies that reduce criminal thinking errors, build self-determination, and improve motivation to change.
- Support clients/residents to build solid coping skills set.
- Consults with CCT staff regarding problems presented by clients/residents related to psychosocial factors.
- Work in collaboration with CCT staff and external community partners as appropriate.
- Assists in the development of prevention, intervention, referral and outreach services.
- Submits reports to CCT and agency partners as mandated by law.
- Reviews and evaluates client progress and establishes follow-up contact.
- Reports and analyzes results.
- Maintains confidential client records.
- Demonstrates cultural competency and commitment to CCT residents and clients
- Demonstrates commitment to CCT's vision and mission
- CCT reserves the right to add or change duties at any time.
- Some evening and weekend hours.

Knowledge/Experience

- Peer Support Specialist Certification, preferable forensic PS training
- NC Driver's License
- Two or more years of relevant experience (ie. reentry, incarcerated women, transitional services, child and family, martial)
- Bilingual English/Spanish preferred

Desired Skills:

- Excellent verbal and written communication
- Bilingual capacity with the ability to provide services in English and Spanish
- Ability to work effectively with people in a culturally competent and sensitive manner
- Ability to recognize your own limitations and respond to difficult situations;
- Ability to apply your knowledge and research to clinical problems;
- Ability to work in a self-motivated, independent way;
- Ability to collaborate with colleagues from other disciplines
- Ability to use electronic health record

Interested, qualified individuals should send a cover letter, resume, and salary/hourly rate requirement to: jpatcha@centerforcommunitytransitions.org.