

Los Angeles Centers for Alcohol and Drug Abuse (L.A. CADA)

Job Announcement: Rehab Counselor

Location: Santa Fe Springs | Department: Safe Haven

Position Summary: This position will provide direct service to the patients of the Safe Haven program. Services may include intake and assessment, individual and group counseling and crisis intervention.

Essential Job Functions:

- Counsel individuals to maximize the independence and employability of persons coping with mental health challenges.
- Assist patients with personal, social, and vocational difficulties that result from illness, substance abuse, disease or accidents.
- Coordinate activities for patients of care in the Safe Haven Program.
- Work collaboratively with Clinician and program staff to ensure goals of the program are met.
- Facilitate psycho-educational groups; Be able to take trauma into account during the process of interacting with patients.
- File documents and maintain charts in accordance with established agency practices and procedures.
- Complete documentation required by program; Input pertinent documentation on the DMH electronic health record (EHR).
- Comply with confidentiality and HIPPA requirements.
- Observe public safety; be informed of security policies and procedures and strategies to promote effective security operations for the protection of patients, staff and all people.
- Comply with all DMH requirements.
- Comply with agency practices, policies and procedures, including but not limited to CARF requirements.
- Provide timely and professional responses to internal and external communications.
- Participate in continuing education, as required by licensing bodies.
- Attend and participate in regular, on-going in-service trainings and staff meetings.
- Attend meetings with applicable governing agencies and funding sources.
- Other duties as requested.

Qualifications:

- Rehabilitation Counselor Certification Required
- Proof of current licensure or certification by California Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS) in any of the following areas: LVN, RN, MSN, ACSW/ASW/LCSW, AMFT, LMFT, NCPPI, or NCP
- Minimum of one (1) year(s) experience in a mental health program providing direct services to patients with trauma and/or serious and persistent mental health including substance abuse disorders.
- Must be able to manage crises and de-escalate client's.
- Must be able to provide individual and group counseling/therapy.
- Knowledge of therapy and counseling; principles, methods, and procedures for diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of physical and mental dysfunctions.
- Excellent communication skills including good writing skills
- Ability to exercise good judgment and discretion.
- Ability to work well in a team environment.
- Strong computer skills, to encompass all Microsoft Office applications.
- Ability to be sensitive to trauma and gender while interacting with patients.
- Bilingual English/Spanish preferred.
- Valid California Driver's License and proof of personal auto insurance is required. Hire is contingent upon agency insurability. (if position requires driving)
- Must be able to pass a criminal history background screening (Live-scan), as well as maintain current First Aid & CPR Certification, physical health screening exam, and negative Tuberculosis and drug screening test results as per regulations.

Education:

- Minimum of High School Diploma or GED.
- Masters degree in socialwork, counseling, clinical psychology, or a related field required; or
- Licensed Vocational Nurse or Registered Nursing

Physical Demands

- Occasional lifting more than 10 pounds;
- Sitting, standing, walking, reaching are performed in the normal course of a shift;
- The normal work routine involves no exposure to blood, body fluids, or tissues, BUT exposure or potential exposure may be required as a condition of employment. Appropriate personal protective equipment will be readily available to every employee engaged in potential exposure.

To apply, please email your resume to Jeanette Morales at Jmorales@lacada.com