

## **NYAPRS**

### **Job Description**

Title: OMH Peer Bridger  
Division: Peer Support Services  
Reports to: Director of Peer Services  
Status: Non-Exempt

**Position Summary:** Under the direct supervision of the Director of Peer Services, primary responsibilities include providing peer support services to people intending transition from state psychiatric centers into their own communities through individual and group peer support meetings.

### **Major Responsibilities/Activities:**

- Meets with individuals who are nearing discharge from State Psychiatric Centers
- Engages referred individuals to form trust-based relationships that foster hope for positive change and personal empowerment
- Takes individuals who have been granted a pass to places in the community that are meaningful to him or her
- Continues with individuals after discharge to identify and engage with a range of community-based supports
- Facilitates weekly peer support groups in the hospital and/or community
- Maintains personal wellness
- Completes detailed written record of activities
- Reports to and meets with NYAPRS supervisor on a regular basis
- Attends trainings as required and assigned by supervisor
- Performs other duties as required and assigned

### **Requirements:**

- Demonstrated experience with and knowledge of the NY State public mental health system
- Demonstrated knowledge of advocacy, self-help and empowerment programs for recipients of mental services
- The ability to convey a message of hope and recovery for people with psychiatric disabilities
- The ability to complete basic documentation requirements regarding work activities
- Have obtained NYS Peer certification or be in the process of completing it
- Lived experience with the mental health system preferred.

### **Submit Resume and Cover Letter to:**

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