

Immediate Job Opening

PEER MENTOR IN ALBANY COUNTY

Salary: \$25,000-\$30,000

37.5 hours per week, full time with benefits

The Mental Health Empowerment Project, Inc. (MHEP) is a recipient run not-for-profit corporation organized in 1988 to develop and strengthen self-help and mutual support activities throughout the United States.

JOB DESCRIPTION

The ideal candidate for this position will have direct, personal experience using mental health services and modeling principles of recovery and wellness, including experience related to the principles of community organizing, Intentional Peer Support, Strength-based Supervision and Trauma-Informed Practices.

Additional requirements of this position include computer literacy, excellent written and oral communication skills, experience coordinating multiple projects simultaneously and organizing workload to manage multiple deadlines.

A clean, valid NYS drivers' license, a personal vehicle is also required. The chosen candidate will connect people to peer support, teach self-advocacy skills, connect people to self-directed recovery tools (like Wellness Recovery Action Planning) and act as a role model for recovery.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist people in identifying and reaching their hopes, dreams, and goals; provide support, information and advocacy as needed to make progress toward the objectives.
- Assist people in accessing and using self-directed recovery tools such as Wellness Recovery Action Plans, Advanced Directives, 12 Step Programs and other self-help group models.
- Provide information/assistance regarding securing entitlements, navigating the recertification process and accessing community resources.
- Assist people with integrating into the community, including identifying opportunities/resources for employment, education, peer supports, hobbies, involvement in community activities, use of public transportation, and more.
- Act as a role model for by sharing personal experiences of wellness and recovery.

Interested parties should send a cover letter and resume to mcanuteson@mhepinc.org by September 3rd, 2018.