

Peer Specialist

F/T **Peer Specialist** develops effective partnerships with individuals in order to identify a Path toward Mental Health and/or Substance Abuse Recovery. The process will support the development of skills in self-advocacy, choice and empowerment.

Principle Duties and Responsibilities:

- Good Computer skills, Documentation skills, and Time Management skills required.
- Provides Individual Peer Support in the Community
- Identifies strengths and barriers to create a plan for skill development
- Advocates to create a community connection and linkage to natural and paid supports
- Able to adapt work schedule to meet the program and client needs
- Able to meet weekly Managed Care requirements for assessment, documentation and billing
- Committed to Quality Services
- Demonstrates a thoughtful approach to transition planning

Minimum Qualifications:

- **Must have** New York State Peer Specialist certification – or – provisional certification
This includes
 - High School Diploma, GED, or equivalent, at least 1 year of relevant experience working with individuals with Substance Use Disorder and/or Serious Mental Illness
 - **Must have** personal experience in developing recovery from a Mental Health diagnosis
 - **Must have** completed Core Training on Academy of Peer Services
- **Must have** a valid Driver's license and own transportation

Preferred:

- 2 or more years' experience providing Peer Support
- Knowledgeable of HARP HCBS including Empowerment Peer Support, Habilitation, Psycho-Social Rehabilitation, Family Support and Training
- Multilingual a plus

Benefits Include:

- Profit Sharing Plan/401K
- Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Insurance
- Flexible Spending Account
- Employee Assistance Program
- Paid Leave
- Mileage Reimbursement
- Job Specific Trainings

Circare is a not for profit community based agency located in Syracuse, New York. Circare supports individuals and their families who encounter barriers to their health and wellness, both physical and behavioral, to develop the resources to live a satisfying and naturally interdependent life. Our core value of providing person and family centered services is embedded in all of our programs and promotes personal choice, respect for diversity, individuality, and community inclusiveness.

Please submit a cover letter and resume to Pat Pomroy, Circare, 620 Erie Blvd. West, Suite 302, Syracuse, NY 13204 or go to www.cir.care to submit by e-mail.

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