

Certified Peer Specialist – Two Positions Middletown, New York

Access: Supports for Living Inc. is in the business of doing good. We have a mission: To help people live the healthiest and fullest lives possible. Here, you'll be a valued part of an innovative team that touches the lives of more than 10,000 people each year across the Hudson Valley in programs supporting people to pursue the life they imagine.

At Access, we believe in work with a purpose.

In this role you will:

- *-Inspire hope*
- *-Promote empowerment and self-determination*
- *-Provide opportunities for individuals to practice self-efficacy through activities that emphasize the acquisition, development, and enhancement of life skills*
- *-Build relationships based on mutuality and shared perspective and provide support to bring about a desired social or personal change*
- *-Focus on the strengths of each individual*
- *-Work in partnership with the individual receiving services and the providers of those services*
- *-Offer living proof of the transformative power of recovery and encourage the celebration of recovery achievements*

As a Peer Specialist you will also:

- *-Be a Resource Connector - Promote self-advocacy and self-sufficiency*
- *-Be an Ally and Confidant - Share related experiences*
- *-Be a Role Model and Mentor - A social bridge into recovery*
- *-Be a Problem Solver and Planner - Help to resolve personal and environmental obstacles to recovery, while facilitating the interpretation of an individual's treatment plan*
- *-Be an Educator and Tour Guide - Provide information about the stages of recovery, while introducing individuals into the culture of recovery*
- *-Be a Life Coach - Support individuals through challenges arising from everyday activities and encourage the exploration of different activities.*

Qualifications:

The ideal candidate will possess:

- *-Personal and lived mental health and/ or recovery experience*

- *-Experience facing life challenges while coping with a mental health diagnosis*
- *-NYS Peer Certification Required*
- *-Bilingual English and Spanish speaking is a plus*

***Access** offers a comprehensive benefits package including medical, dental and vision coverage; an array of voluntary benefits (term life, whole life, identity theft protection and pet insurance); Healthcare and Daycare Flexible Spending Accounts; employer paid Short Term Disability, LTD and AD&D; a matching 403(b) retirement plan, generous paid time off, paid holidays, accelerated holiday pay and tuition assistance.*

ALL POSITIONS ARE SUBJECT TO A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND, FINGERPRINTING AND MOTOR VEHICLE REPORT CHECK. ALSO ALL OFFERS OF EMPLOYMENT ARE CONTINGENT ON SUBMISSION TO A PRE-EMPLOYMENT DRUG TEST AND RECEIPT OF A NEGATIVE DRUG TEST RESULT.

The Agency is a smoke free workplace and offers smoke free campuses for our employees, visitors, clients, and interns.

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