

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF THE UPPER PENINSULA

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH THERAPIST

SUMMARY:

The Behavioral Health Therapist at Catholic Social Services of the Upper Peninsula is a licensed mental health professional who provides therapeutic services to a variety of clients with mental health and addiction disorders including those clients with co-occurring disorders, and trauma experiences.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Conducts screening with clients to determine immediate needs and eligibility for programs.

Provides client orientation insuring that clients are knowledgeable about the program, and their rights as clients.

Conducts intake interviews with clients gathering biopsychosocial/spiritual data.

Assesses client data determining diagnoses, problems, strengths, and needs.

Develops with clients treatment plans establishing agreed upon goals, objectives and interventions.

Provides individual, group, and family therapy helping clients to achieve the objectives in the treatment plan.

Manages a caseload of assigned clients including those with co-occurring disorders assuring that resources are coordinated and actions taken that will assist in the achievement of goals. This may include referring clients to other services within CSSUP or other agencies and/or consultation with other professionals regarding client's problems and needs.

Provides safe and effective crisis counseling to clients in the outpatient setting.

Conducts individual and group client education sessions informing clients and families about various aspects of alcohol and other drug abuse, addiction and facets of recovery.

Keeps client records in accordance with agency policies.

Provides program promotion and community education activities, prevention services and outreach activities as requested.

Participates in the therapeutic program by serving as a positive role model for clients.

Adheres to the Code of Ethics of their profession, CSSUP and the Michigan Association of Addiction Professionals, agency policies and state and federal laws regarding confidentiality and client rights.

Attends training and educational programs as assigned.

Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

MSW or MA in counseling

LMSW or LPC preferred with a minimum of a limited license required.

Certification as an addiction counselor required or will be able to obtain certification within six months.

Prefer completion or willingness to complete training to provide services to those with addiction behaviors including but not limited to gambling, pornography or substance abuse.

Experience in providing client-centered, empathetic therapy. Prefer therapy experience with both mental health and addiction problems.

Understanding and has history of ability to work within the ethical guidelines of the profession, the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals, and CSSUP.

Ability to provide effective role modeling to clients.

Adhere to responsible use of alcohol and no use of illicit substances. If recovering from alcoholism or other addiction has a minimum of one year's of continuous abstinence from all mind-altering substances excluding properly prescribed medications and participation in recovery activities.

An awareness and sensitivity of the particular cultural aspects of the population in the local area. For example, children, the elderly, Native Americans, etc.

CREDENTIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Michigan LMSW or LPC within two years of employment.

Maintain other certifications as required and appropriate by the State of Michigan.

JOB LOCATION: Escanaba, MI

Employee Application 9.2018

Send completed job application, resume and 3 references to:

Diane Tryan | Catholic Social Services of the U.P. | 1100 Ludington St., Suite 401, Escanaba, MI 49829

Or by email to: dtryan@cssup.org

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environment including expanding our services to meet increased demands in more communities. CSSUP serves as a shining example of God's work throughout the UP. Read our code of ethics.