

Job Posting

Crisis Clinician

Experienced, licensed social worker, counselor or nurse needed to provide risk/crisis assessments and assistance to individuals requiring behavioral health support in the community of Lake County.

Essential Responsibilities

- Complete risk assessments to determine lethality, propensity of violence, medical/physical conditions including alcohol/drug screen/assessment, and support systems.
- Provide and complete crisis assessments with individuals (in home, office or community) regarding level of danger to self/others, severity of psychiatric symptoms, and existing support systems to determine a recommendation of continued outpatient or inpatient care; outside of business hours will be required.
- Develop crisis plans that include referral and linkages to appropriate services and coordination with other systems. The crisis plan should also address safety issues, follow-up instructions, alternative actions/steps to implement should the crisis recur, voluntary/involuntary procedures and the wishes/preferences of the individual and parent/guardian, as appropriate.
- De-escalate and/or stabilize the individual and/or environment, linking the individual to the appropriate level of care and services including peer support, assuring safety, developing a crisis plan, providing information as appropriate to family/significant others, and resolving the emergent situation.
- Develop and maintain strong relationships with community partners who provide support and care to individuals and families with behavioral health needs.
- Coordinate services with community psychiatric support workers, prescribers and other service providers as needed, to aid in the behavioral health stability of consumers.
- Coordinate services with emergency transport and local hospitals when necessary.
- Provide advocacy, linkage and referrals.
- Provide support calls to individuals seeking extra support with behavioral health symptoms.
- Provide short term case management and counseling services as needed.
- Conduct follow up visits with consumers recently discharged from inpatient hospitals and provide linkage to appropriate outpatient services.
- Must be able to work independent and in a team.
- Must be open and comfortable with responding to crisis situations in a calm, empathetic and flexible manner.

Qualifications, Education and Licensure

- Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Psychology, Social Work, Counseling or Nursing.
- PC/LSW, LISW/PCC or RN
- Previous experience in the mental health field is preferred.
- Full Time position, some evenings required