

Peer Navigator - Community Outreach

Homeless Addiction Treatment Service HATSS



WHAT I AM ACCOUNTABLE FOR:

Following a period of induction you will take part in a range of core training sessions to provide you with the knowledge and skills to deliver a range of interventions and work successfully with people with an addiction and are experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless.

You will be accountable for :

- Making initial contact with referrals, assess and identify their treatment needs and assist the HATSS recovery workers to develop a recovery plan building on individual strengths and assets.
- Support individuals achieve their support plan, involving other agencies where relevant and support the client to access other specialist services and community assets.
- Build networks with other agencies who can add additional support to our clients in line with their support plan.
- To support clients attend appointments or access support groups i.e. GP, treatment appointments, groups and mutual aid support.
- Work as part of a team and shadowing and supporting the HATSS recovery workers and clinical staff as required in both 1-1 and group settings (face to face and virtual)
- Developing your awareness of advice and harm reduction approaches.
- Develop and maintain knowledge of local community resources in support of asset based recovery work
- Assessing and identifying risks in your day to day work and acting upon immediate risk of danger or safeguarding issues
- To liaise with the wider team supporting the needs of our members and volunteers within the community.
- To establish and maintain positive working relationship with service providers, commissioners, stakeholders and other partner agencies.
- Participate in facilitating drop in's and clinics in a range of community settings i.e. ABEN, Soup kitchens, supported accommodation and hostels.

HOW I OPERATE:

Values Led Leadership

- Demonstrate a positive attitude to your work
- You will enjoy helping others and supporting individuals to achieve their goals
- Being a great team member and working collaboratively will be something you enjoy
- Maintain a high level belief in our clients capacity to change and model a non judgemental approach
- Reflective practice, learning and effective team work
- Maintain professional boundaries and present a professional image at all times
- Treat everyone with respect and promote individuals equality, diversity and rights.
- Flexible by contributing in an out of hours rota .

WHAT I NEED:

Skills\Knowledge

- *Essential :*
- knowledge of the issues which directly affect diverse, marginalised and disadvantaged communities.
- You will be personable, a good listener and communicator
- Emotionally intelligent and positive with a desire and passion to help others achieve their goals.
- Passionate about the opportunity to use your own life experiences to help make positive change for others.
- A commitment to equality and a zero tolerance approach to discrimination and exclusion.
- Good communication skills and the ability to make people feel heard.
- Basic computer skills, e.g. word processing, the internet and email would be useful, but support can be provided.
- *Desirable :*
- lived experience/personal experience of previous addiction, homelessness or poor mental health.