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Peer Support Consultant The Academy for Professional Excellence-Responsive Integrated Health Solutions (RIHS) San Diego, CA 92120 Salary: \$20.00 /per hour Job Type: Part time (up to 12 hours per month, for up to 16 months) Number of hires for this role: 3

Peer Support Consultants will advise RIHS and the County *Medically Assisted Treatment (MAT) in Criminal Justice* team by participating in a Peer Support Advisory Committee and members of the Peer Support Advisory Committee will give input to the County MAT in Criminal Justice team to ensure all efforts are person-focused, trauma-informed and resiliency oriented. The committee will help by highlighting the needs of people with justice involvement receiving services in our behavioral health system of care. Consultants will advise on ways to address gaps in order to foster development of providing input on person-centered solutions in the delivery of MAT services to reduce recidivism.

Specifically, the Peer Support Advisory Committee members will:

- Review the results of the gap analysis and provide input
- Review the county team's recommendations to determine current access and barriers to SUD screening, assessment, and treatment, in county jails, drug courts and transition to treatment upon release, and will suggest revisions as needed
- Review results of key informant interviews and share feedback with the County MAT in Criminal Justice team
- Recommend culturally responsive interventions to address the needs identified by the San Diego County MAT in Criminal Justice team's gap analysis

Responsibilities

- Prepare for and participate in Peer Support Advisory Consultants meetings for the San Diego County Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) in Criminal Justice System project
- Sharing information and feedback about gap in access to MAT services in the community and at all stages of justice involvement
- Identify and discuss barriers and challenges and recommend solutions
- Evaluate proposed interventions and recommend upgrades or revisions
- Track time and report on work completed according to Academy protocol and systems

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Qualifications

- Peer Core Training Certification (i.e. PET, IPS, etc.)
- Previous experience working/interacting with people in recovery
- Familiarity with Microsoft Office, Google Docs, and Zoom
- Ability to participate actively in group discussions and interact effectively with groups and individuals
- Ability to share lived experience of resilience; communicate/demonstrate recovery concepts
- Ability to manage & utilize time and prioritize duties effectively, both independently and as part of a team
- Ability to independently adhere to assigned work schedule
- Ability to complete assigned tasks & activities within established deadlines
- Ability to understand and follow established instructions, rules, and procedures in a changing environment
- Ability to demonstrate and practice a high level of cross-cultural responsiveness
- Ability to interact in a trauma-informed, recovery-oriented, and professional manner with team members/staff, partners, stakeholders, and people in recovery

Lived experience is a requirement of the position. Because of this, a commitment to maintaining recovery is an essential expectation of the job. **To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter to Donovan Ackley III, Ph.D. at** <u>dackleyiii@sdsu.edu.</u>

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