**Job Description**

**Position: Substance Abuse Specialist**

Program: 1921 Cortelyou Supported Housing

Reports to: Program Director

Work Location: Brooklyn, New York

Hours: Full time

Brooklyn Community Services is one of Brooklyn’s first and largest non-sectarian social services agencies. Serving more than 20,000 individuals annually, BCS is committed to a broad and diverse range of services including prevention of foster care placement; crisis intervention; early childhood and after school education; and vocational training, job placement, and clinical services to adults with physical and developmental disabilities, and histories of mental illness.

**Responsibilities and Duties:**

* Function as a primary counselor for residents struggling with substance abuse issues and monitor all facets of direct care services
* Facilitate substance abuse groups including but not limited to relapse prevention, 12 step, anger management, double trouble, and life skills groups
* Complete all required substance abuse assessments in a timely manner
* Responsible for conducting apartment inspections
* Provide referrals for specialty care and community resources (i.e. detox, rehab, AA, NA, outpatient substance abuse programs, medication assistance treatment, etc.)
* Escort clients to all appointments as deeded necessary: medical, psychiatric, inpatient/ outpatient substance abuse, toxicology screenings, public assistance, and emergency rooms, etc.
* Provide crisis intervention services
* Serve as program liaison with all substance abuse providers (i.e. inpatient detox/rehab. facilities, methadone maintenance clinics, Narcan training and disturbing providers etc.) to aid residents to accessing quality services
* Provide substance educational materials (i.e. on alcoholism, opioids, marijuana, hallucinogens, etc.) to elevate consumer awareness
* Aid tenants with identified triggers associated with their addiction and develop effective coping strategies to avoid relapse
* Responsible for functioning as part of an inter-disciplinary team and facilitate weekly case conferences to assist consumers in crisis
* Aid with facilitating resident move-ins and move-outs
* Attend meetings, trainings, seminars, workshops and conferences as directed
* Complete all other tasks as assigned by Program Director and Supervisor

**Qualifications Required:**

* BSW or BA in human services related field, with a minimum of two-year experience with homeless youth. MSW or LMSW preferred.
* Credential Addiction Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC) preferred
* Fingerprinting and criminal background check required.

**How to apply:**

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