



Housing Specialist, Access to Care Program (Nassau County, NY)

The purpose of Options MRT Health Home Supportive Housing Program (Rent Subsidies and Housing Retention Services) is to assist homeless Health Home members who are high-cost, high-utilizers of Medicaid in Nassau County to obtain and maintain their housing.

The Housing Specialist will work with clients to reduce barriers and assist them with preparing for meeting with landlords and conducting housing searches. They will provide outreach, and engagement with landlords within the community and create a database of vacancies, landlords and landlord criteria to assist with housing placements.

The Housing Specialist will provide additional housing retention services which include the following: identification and documentation of eligible clients, intake, assessment and reassessment of needs, housing placement, advocacy, ensures access to comprehensive housing support services, crisis intervention, educational services such as independent living skills, and health, nutrition, and vocational readiness education.

The Housing Specialist provides direct supportive services through regular site visits to clients and coordinates with other providers to identify issues and barriers that may prevent an individual from maintaining stability in MRT housing. Through a mutually agreed upon goal plan, the Housing Specialist assists the client in seeking solutions to achieve healthcare goals, housing stability and to prevent or decrease emergency room usage and inpatient hospitalization.

The Housing Specialist also collaborates with health homes or a managed care organization care manager to ensure care coordination and case conferences with other service providers including health home care coordination, health care providers, substance use providers and/or mental health providers.

Qualifications and Requirements

- Bachelor's Degree in health or human services and one-year qualifying experience* or, Associate's Degree in health or human services or certification as an R.N. or L.P.N. and two years qualifying experience*.
- A valid driver's license and insurance card is required. Must maintain valid first aid/CPR and Narcan certification.

Qualifications and Requirements *continued*

*Qualifying experience: Verifiable full or part time case management or case work with persons with HIV or AIDS, and/or persons with a history of mental illness, homelessness or chemical dependence. Experience with families preferred.

Work Schedule:

Monday through Friday:

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, or 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Benefits

Full Time Employees are eligible for:

- Medical, Dental, and Vision Insurance
- Tuition Assistance
- Flexible Spending Account
- Long-term and Short-term Disability
- Supplemental Specified Illness Coverage
- Supplemental Hospitalization Coverage
- Life Insurance
- 4 Personal Days, 10-22 Vacation Days, 8 Sick Days, 10 Paid Holidays-yearly
- 403(b) retirement plan with employer match

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