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JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Classification: Mental Health Technician

Working Title: Mental Health Technician

To provide individual care, support, skills instruction and supervision to residents in the new “Person-centered Outplacement Project”. This project is part of the Bryce downsizing effort and will involve transitioning individuals from the Extended Care Units at Bryce Hospital into the Birmingham community. This employee serves in the role of direct care giver to a group of individuals residing in the group home. This employee works directly with Home Coordinator, the psychiatrist and clinical support team, as well as other staff on duty.

Supervised by: Home Coordinator

Employees Supervised: None

Division: Person-centered Outplacement Project

Normal Work Days/Hours: 40 hours per week or varies according to scheduled shifts

PRIMARY JOB FUNCTIONS:

Provides direct care to the residents of the home/training facility in a person centered, recovery orientation.

Monitors, supports, supervises, and provides training to residents in daily/independent living skills. Responsible for the implementation of scheduled day activities such as exercise, socialization, personal goal setting, illness management and community outings as appropriate.

Works directly with Psychiatrist, clinical support team and with Peer Bridger team.

Provides support services for the home and the residents.

Transports clients in accordance with schedule.

Completes required administrative and client related paperwork.

Any and all other duties as assigned by supervisor.
KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES:

Knowledge of mental illness and it's social implications. Willingness to work with individuals in a person centered, recovery oriented and supportive fashion.

Knowledge of community resources.

Ability to work cooperatively with a multidisciplinary treatment team

Ability to work independently.

Ability to identify problem situations of client care and treatment and build rapport with individuals.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

High School Diploma or GED - Entry Level Position

Valid Alabama driver's license and driving record acceptable to agency automobile insurance carrier for inclusion on agency policy.