

DMHAS/River Valley Services
JOB OPPORTUNITY
Recovery Support Specialist ~ RSS
(Possible underfill as Recovery Support Specialist Trainee {RSST})
RV# 110702

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Open To: State Employees
Location: River Valley Services, Middletown, CT
Program/ Unit: Behavioral Health Homes
Annual Salary Range: RSS \$38,791.00 to \$52,591.00 (Annually)/ RSST \$37,071.00 to \$50,359.00 (Annually)
Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30am to 4:00pm
Closing Date: August 3, 2015

Duties include but are not limited to: The Recovery Support Specialist for the Behavioral Health Home Initiative will assist persons in their personal journey in recovery to achieve their hopes, dreams, and wishes. Work with persons to identify their top priorities for recovery and assist them in their development of skill building, community networking, and activities to reach those goals. Provide skill instruction, information and support that will assist someone in their recovery management and integration into the community. Assists clients in identifying and exercising their rights; participates in assigned rehabilitative interventions to meet clients' needs and goals. Provide observations to the person and the clinical support team with respect to rehabilitative interventions to assist the person in meeting their recovery goals. Utilizes client centered approaches when working with a person. Provide outreach, engagement, and interventions as identified through the recovery planning process. May assist with a person's integration into the community by providing support for attendance at self-help meetings, medical appointments, and use of public transportation. Will provide transportation and outreach for clients enrolled in the Health Home Initiative. Document in the medical record in accordance with the policies and procedures of RVS. May provide psycho educational interventions to enrolled clients about recovery practices as it relates to medical conditions under the direction of a nurse. Usage/knowledge of computer software for documentation and training purposes.

General Experience and Training: Completion of the Recovery Support Specialist Certification Program required.

~ COPY OF REQUIRED RSS CERTIFICATION MUST BE FAXED OR MAILED IN WITH APPLICATION ~

Special Requirements: Incumbents in this class must possess and retain a current/valid Motor Vehicle Operator license. Incumbents in this class are required to travel. **Incumbents in this class must complete the RSS certification prior to applying. Certificate must be faxed with the application.**

Working Conditions: Incumbents in this class may be required to lift and restrain clients and may have significant exposure to infectious and/or /communicable diseases, strongly disagreeable conditions and risk of injury.

Career Progression: After completion of six (6) months of successful and satisfactory performance as a Recovery Support Specialist Trainee, an incumbent will be moved to the Recovery Support Specialist classification (*on the first pay period following the completion of the six (6) month requirement*).

To be considered for this position:

1. **DMHAS employees who are lateral transfer candidates** (example: Head Nurse applying to a Head Nurse posting) must submit a completed DMHAS Lateral Transfer Form. Lateral Transfer Request Forms received without a position number will not be processed
2. **DMHAS employees who are promotional/demotional candidates** must submit the State of Connecticut Application for Examination and Employment (CT-HR-12). The position number must be noted at the bottom of Page One of the State of Connecticut Application (CT-HR-12).
3. **All other applicants** must complete a State Employment Application for Examination and Employment (CT-HR-12). Resumes and Curriculum Vitae can be provided as supplemental information but will only be accepted if attached to a fully completed application.

Note: Applicants will be selected in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion, collective bargaining unit contract language, merit employment lists and DMHAS affirmative action goals. Therefore, State employees will generally be considered before applicants from outside State service.

Application Instructions: Interested and qualified candidates who meet the above requirements should submit a cover letter, a resume, and an Application for Employment to:

PLEASE SEND APPLICATION TO:
DMHAS/River Valley Services
P.O. Box 351
Middletown, CT 06457
Fax: (860) 262-5055
RVS-RECRUIT@CT.GOV

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