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POSTING (BCGEU)

JOB TITLE: Registered Psychiatric Nurse

STATUS: Casual

AREA OF WORK: Supportive Housing/Shelter Sites in Vancouver

HOURS OF WORK: All shifts as required

DAYS OF WORK: Weekdays & Weekends

GRID LEVEL: 16-P-RN - JJEP Wage Grid

Job Summary

The Psychiatric Nurse provides treatment and care management services. They are responsible for providing individualized mental health and psychosocial support to guests in their living environment while encouraging independence, self-responsibility, and healthy lifestyle choices. The successful candidate possesses advanced crisis management and intervention skills, with a demonstrated ability to assess, plan, and implement health services. They work collaboratively within an interdisciplinary team-based model of care, promoting a culturally safe and responsive, trauma-informed approach, establishing a welcoming therapeutic environment, and promoting client self-determination and independence.

Functions & Responsibilities

1. Demonstrated knowledge of concurrent disorders, inclusive of an understanding of underlying causes, treatments, and strategies for advanced crisis intervention and counseling
2. Coordinates care for clients by collaborating with interprofessional care team, conducting mental health assessments, developing, implementing, maintaining, and adjusting comprehensive treatment plans based on client needs and best practices, administering prescribed medications, and monitoring and assessing clients' mental state, response to medications and efficacy of treatment plan to ensure optimum client centered care.
3. Plans and provides direct nursing care to clients in compliance with standards of practice, conducting physical/psychosocial assessments, developing a care plan specific for the client, and collaborating with other members of the health care team to discuss and review the care plan, and implements other treatment modalities as required such as ADLs, wound care and administering of medications.
4. Monitors residents by methods such as observing resident's health condition and environment including functional ability, living arrangement, and family supports
5. Documents assessments, care plan, observations, interventions, client/family responses, outcomes/evaluations, and referrals in accordance with medical standard practices
6. Implements and evaluates effectiveness of nursing interventions and modifies as necessary, recommending adjustment to treatments plans to enable independence

7. Implement use of trauma informed practice and demonstrate strong understanding of harm reduction principles
8. Maintains an awareness of community social and mental health resources, makes this information available to clients, while respecting their individual goals.
9. Initiates and participates in case conferences/meetings with clients, family, service providers and members of the interprofessional team for identification of client mental health issues, concerns regarding services and coordination, emergent issues, and discussion of on-going follow-up care to ensure a coordinated approach to treatment. Acts as client advocate to protect and promote clients' right to autonomy, respect, privacy, dignity, and access to information.
10. Effectively manages crisis situations, using non-violent crisis intervention techniques and behavior management
11. Works collaboratively with the interdisciplinary team, including providing mentorship, support, and training as needed
12. Learn and understand Community Builders' values and philosophy of support, empowerment, inclusion, and openness for staff and residents.
13. Ensure compliance with legislated standards of medical field and internal policies, recommend best practices for clinical programs, and provide leadership to accomplish these goals with staff

Education & Experience

1. Practicing Psychiatric Nurse, registered with the BC College of Nurses and Midwives
2. Current First Aid and CPR certification
3. Minimum 1 year experience in mental health centered environment

Abilities

1. Ability to uphold best practices in the nursing field
2. Ability to independently analyze and interpret policies, and make recommendations on feasible solutions
3. Ability to independently plan, organize, manage, and control a high volume of activities
4. Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing
5. Ability to exercise independent judgment and discretion within policy guidelines

APPLY BY: June 7, 2022 by 4pm

APPLY TO: hr@communitybuilders.ca

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT: _____

INITIALS: _____ **Date:** _____

This position is open to all qualified individuals and requires membership in the Union. The successful applicant is not required to operate their own vehicle for performing the duties of the position.