



**Job Title:** Rehabilitation Specialist II

**Job Group:** VIII

**Location:** Franklin Recovery PROS - 254 Franklin St., Buffalo, NY

**Reports to:** Program Director

**SUMMARY OF DUTIES:**

RSII, works directly with consumers who have a psychiatric disability. Participates in developing and implementing programs, personal development and social activities. Provides technical assistance for members and facilitates member participation. Promotes agency philosophy, including principles of psychiatric rehabilitation and recovery.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

- Provides direct service including group therapy and individual supportive counseling.
- Facilitates and models social skills and behaviors and good work habits for consumers
- Assists consumers in developing goals related to their success and satisfaction in the living, learning and working environments
- Conducts readiness activities for members interested in exploring life role goals.
- Links members to vocational programs that provide training or supported employment services
- Links interested members to Department of Social Services and community resources
- Provides technical assistance in the coordination of social, leisure and recreational activities
- Responsible for the safety and security of members during PROS excursions
- Manages crises and conveys crisis-related information in an organized, timely manner
- Completes and maintains member intakes, updates, reports, files and surveys as required

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, AND SKILLS:**

Requires understanding of psychiatric disabilities and substance abuse, including symptoms and baseline behaviors. Must have knowledge of psychiatric rehabilitation and the ability to employ basic principles of rehabilitation. Requires awareness of community resources and the ability to make meaningful linkages. Must have knowledge of cultural competence and ability to demonstrate sensitivity to work with individuals from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

Bachelor's Degree in Human Services or closely related discipline. OR  
Associates degree in Occupational Therapy, Human Services or closely related discipline. OR  
Equivalent combination of education, training and experience. Verifiable supervised volunteer experience or unpaid experience in a peer operated, peer advocacy or self-help environment.

An insured car and valid New York State driver's license helpful but not necessary.

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