



**JOB TITLE:** Chemical Dependency Counselor III **JOB GROUP:** X

**LOCATION:** The Lighthouse – 244 Hempstead Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14215

**REPORTS TO:** Clinical Supervisor

**SUMMARY OF DUTIES:**

The Chemical Dependency Counselor III provides counseling and supportive services to women in the residence. This may include assessment, treatment planning, individual counseling, group education and therapy, family counseling, parent education, vocational counseling, and aftercare planning. She/he maintains client records in accordance with agency and regulatory standards.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES**

- Participates in screening, intake and assessment activities.
- Develops individualized treatment plans in conjunction with treatment team and resident.
- Develops and presents relevant materials in psychoeducational group format.
- Utilizes both informal and structured interventions to assist client to adjust to residential milieu and to improve interpersonal skills.
- Assists clients to establish vocational goals and plan and to identify appropriate educational/vocational resources.
- Works with client to develop and implement phased reentry and aftercare plan.
- Assists in house management activities as assigned by supervisor.

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:**

Must have knowledge of substance abuse treatment theory; common mental disabilities; individual, group, and family counseling techniques; and women's health issues. Must be able to relate effectively to women of diverse cultural and economic backgrounds and to work effectively in residential setting. Must possess excellent oral and written communication skills.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

Master degree, QHP status, and one year experience in substance abuse or mental health program.

**OR**

Bachelors degree in social work, psychology, or closely related human service field, **PLUS** four years full time paid direct service experience in an acceptable social services agency, including two years in a drug abuse services program and current CASAC certification.

**NYS Drivers License required.** Ability to speak Spanish is desirable.

**EXTRAORDINARY WORKING CONDITIONS:** Flexible work hours including weekends, holidays, and occasional on-call back-up.

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CD Counselor (CASAC, CASAC-T): <https://home.eease.adp.com/recruit/?id=917411>

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