

**POSITION AVAILABLE: Peer Specialist Advisor- Office of Consumer Affairs
NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Division of Mental Hygiene**

The Division of Mental Hygiene's Office of Consumer Affairs in the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene seeks to hire a Peer Specialist Advisor to coordinate the Department's efforts to support the expanding NYC Peer Specialist workforce.

On October 1, 2015, Medicaid-reimbursed behavioral health services for adults moved from a fee-for-service system to a managed care system. As a result of these changes, individuals with lived experience of behavioral health services are currently being certified to provide peer support services and it is anticipated that this workforce will continue to expand. The Department's Office of Consumer Affairs is seeking a Peer Specialist Advisor to guide these efforts, inform us about the needs of this community, and assist the Department with a variety of Peer workforce initiatives. **This position is currently funded through June 31, 2018.**

Job Responsibilities:

- Work at DOHMH and in the community facilitating learning collaboratives; educating providers; liaising with peer specialist leaders and stakeholders; conducting needs assessments; and stay abreast of issues related to peers in the mental health system
- Facilitate conversations with key NYC peer specialist stakeholder groups and support local peer specialist organizing efforts as needed and requested
- Assist with organizing events and tactics for community outreach and engagement
- Ensure Thrive- NYC Peer-related initiatives include the peer specialist perspective
- Other administrative and outreach responsibilities as related and assigned by program director
- Administrative support
- Coordination of events and activities that support the successful expansion of the NYC peer specialist and community health worker workforce

Desired skillset:

- Has first-hand experience using NYC mental health and or substance use services
- Ability to work well both independently and in teams
- Excellent communication skills (written, verbal)
- Demonstrated proficiency with Windows-based computer applications including Microsoft Office and PowerPoint presentations.
- Ability to set and meet clear goals
- Flexibility in working weekends and evenings
- Strong presentation skills preferred

Salary Range: \$50,000-\$60,000; Commensurate with experience and credentials.

To Apply:

Please mail or email **letter of interest and resume** to the attention of Sharon Niederman at the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Applications should be received by 6/1/2017.

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