CATHOLIC CHARITIES EASTERN REGION

DIVISION: Residential Services JOB TITLE: Residence Counselor – OASAS

DATE: 11/11 GRADE: 6 STATUS: Non-Exempt

I. QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Education
 - 1. Formal educational requirement of a high school diploma or equivalent.
- B. Experience
 - 1. A minimum of one-year experience in substance abuse services preferred.
- C. Skills
 - 1. Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain a professional relationship with clientele, and personnel within and outside the Agency.
 - 2. Demonstrated ability to perform basic household maintenance, (i.e. cooking, cleaning, etc.) and daily living skills.
 - 3. New York State Driver's License to be used commensurate with program needs.
 - 4. Must demonstrate those general skills and personality traits deemed necessary to successfully meet the demands of the position.

II. **REQUIREMENTS**

- A. CASAC (Certified Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counselor) Training
 - 1. Completion of an Individualized Counselor Development Plan (indicating a commitment to pursue CASAC credential) upon hire.
 - 2. Obtain NYS CASAC Trainee status according agency guidelines.
 - 3. Successful completion of NYS CASAC credentialing according to agency guidelines.

III. RESPONSIBLE TO

A. Residence Supervisor - OASAS

IV. MAJOR FUNCTIONS

- A. Administrative
 - 1. Required to follow all Agency policies and procedures, using the Policy and Procedures manual as a reference.
 - 2. Required to understand and abide by those laws, regulations, policies, and procedures that are applicable to the program/service, which you are providing.
 - 3. Required to report any known or suspected violation of laws, regulations, policies and procedures related to programs/services of the agency.

- 4. Required to maintain accurate statistical records and files on program participants and activities, including but not limited to: individual client records, billing records, medication records, daily log, expense sheets, purchase orders, petty cash, client funds, mileage records, and menus.
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- B. Client/Program Related
 - 1. Be available on a twenty-four (24) hour basis for residents and staff and provide crisis counseling, as necessary.
 - 2. Provide individual, family and crisis counseling, where necessary, in order to help residents modify attitudes and patterns of behavior and to better understand personal, familiar, and social problems.
 - 3. Maintains necessary statistical data and assists in general evaluation and upkeep of record system. Enforce Agency's policies and procedures.
 - 4. Provide a stable home environment with consistent routines and expectations for residents, and serve as a role model in teaching acceptable living and coping skills. To provide resident with support, nurturance and structure.
 - 5. Insure that all physical and emotional needs of the residents are met including adequate clothing, good nutrition and medical needs.
 - 6. Supervise residents, their property and agency property.
 - 7. Involved in treatment plans of residents with social worker, manager, and resident.
 - 8. Be responsible for discharge planning of clients in context of treatment plans.
 - 9. Maintain professional practices with regard to resident rights and confidentiality.
 - 10. Adheres to agency policies and performs other related tasks as assigned.
 - 11. Maintain and enforce curfew for residents.
 - 12. In case of emergency, contact appropriate individuals such as police, fire department and supervisor.
 - 13. Plan and implement specific learning skills with residents.
 - 14. Follow-up service to clients leaving the program to facilitate transition between levels and independent living.
 - 15. Planning, implementation and supervision of social and recreational activities.
- C. Catholic Charities Agency and Community Related
 - 1. Attend staff meetings on a regular basis.
 - 2. Participate in service training sessions, workshops, and/or conference within Catholic Charities and the larger community, as necessary.
 - 3. Perform other duties within the organization, as directed.