Position: Substance Use Disorder Therapist

POSITION SUMMARY
Under the supervision of the Chief Mental Health Officer and the Tu Casa Director, provides counseling and therapy services to HMS patients with substance use disorders. Conducts individual, group, and family counseling under the framework of state and federal law, the counseling code of ethics, and evidence based practices and policies and procedures.

POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES
1. Perform assessments utilizing evaluation tools as assigned and Treat First processes as appropriate.
2. Assist patient in development and implementation of their personalized, individual treatment plan. Treatment plans will be executed using various treatment techniques and therapeutic counseling skills associated with established national treatment standards for treatment of co-occurring disorders.
3. Provide individual and group therapy utilizing outpatient services.
5. Prepare and maintain complete electronic patient records on all assigned patients, making sure that all required services, forms, and reports are included, complete, and timely in accordance with HMS Policies and Procedures.
6. Assists other staff in management of patients in emergencies, according to HMS policies and procedures and in accordance with training.
7. Responsible for creating and maintaining a therapeutic and safe environment for patients.
8. Due to the nature of facility services, employees will be scheduled to work extended hours and shifts, including over nights to ensure adequate care of patients and to maintain 24/7 service to the community.
9. Maintain good working relationships with referral clinicians, including timely acceptance of referrals from HMS clinicians for counseling and patient support services.
10. Complete reports to area agencies that the patient may be affiliated with as required and with the appropriate releases.
12. Participates in initial and ongoing training on the EBP’s utilized for patient service delivery. Maintains fidelity to the EBP’s being utilized.
13. Coordinates with all Program staff to assure that all requirements of the Program are being met and patient services are integrated with other services provided by HMS.
14. Exhibits professional and caring manner with clients, patients and families.
15. Assume responsibility for maintaining competence in clinical practice.
16. Maintain licensure at the highest level applicable. Any change in licensure status must be communicated to HMS immediately.
17. Actively collaborate in obtaining credentialing with payers of HMS services.
18. Regularly attend continuing education activities consistent with clinical responsibilities, personal interest and in coordination with the Mental Health Department.
19. Participate actively in supervision, treatment team and case conference activities.
20. Consult with colleagues and be available for consultation with colleagues, students and other providers within HMS.

21. Provide optimal learning experiences and an understanding of the delivery of patient care to practicum and internship students as assigned.

22. Actively participate in peer review of clinical work.

23. Participate in chart audits.

24. Participate in appropriate HMS and community-wide committee and collaboration work, as assigned by the Chief Mental Health Officer.

25. The delivery of quality services and positive interaction with all our customers, internal and external, is critical to the completion of all the tasks within this job description, and thus the employee is responsible for establishing and maintaining interpersonal relationships with patients, visitors and HMS employees in a courteous, respectful and professional manner. Guidelines include all HMS policies and procedures and the guidelines and code of ethics of the appropriate professional association (e.g. National Association for Addiction Professionals, American Counseling Association, National Association of Social Workers, etc.).

26. Performs and/or coordinates other special assignments and tasks, as required by the Chief Mental Health Officer and/or the Tu Casa Director.

**Minimum Qualifications**
- Graduate of an accredited substance use disorder counseling related program (Counseling; Social Work; Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor, Licensed Substance Abuse Associate, etc.).
- Current New Mexico Licensure in the appropriate profession.

**Preferred Qualifications**
- Independent Licensure appropriate to the profession
- Two (2) years of experience providing substance use disorder services
- One (1) year of experience in a rural community

**TO APPLY:**
Completed HMS Employment Application may be emailed to jobs@hmsnm.org or Dropped off or mailed:
1105 N Pope Street, Building C, Silver City, NM 88061
or
530 De Moss Street, Lordsburg, NM 88045

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