JOB OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE FOR

**** Full-Time Peer Health Coach****

Grant Funded Position

Charter Oak Health Center promotes healthier communities by providing quality, safe, patient-centered health care services in medically under-served areas, regardless of ability to pay.

At Charter Oak Health Center, we like to think globally and act locally. While serving our community, we are committed to becoming a model for other health centers to emulate. Our mission guides our work every day.

Charter Oak Health Center is seeking employment of a Peer Health Coach who is eager to work in a diverse environment. This person must have passion to work in the underserved environment and must be a team player. The individual must believe in the mission and vision of Charter Oak Health Center in order to deliver support to those in need.

POSITION SUMMARY

The Peer Health Coach will engage in personalized, continuous contact with patients to engage and drive them toward success with their recovery. The Peer Health Coach will contact patients, meet with them face-to-face, track their progress, facilitate connections to the patient's support system, act as cheerleader in their successes, participate in interdisciplinary meetings, lead skill-building activities, and connect patients to community resources.

Essential Position Duties

- Through cooperative and collaborative efforts involving the patient on an intensive level, teach skills that will assist patients with overcoming the factors that may impact their recovery.
- Be a positive reinforcement in the lives of our patients, compassionately conveying the message to patients
 that many of the challenges will not be easy to overcome without significant patient commitment to making
 positive changes in their lives that will reduce chances of relapse.
- Conduct interviews with patients to assess the social, behavioral and physical needs to be successful in attaining their goals.
- Participate in the development of comprehensive coordinated care plans for patients.
- Collaborate with a wide range of client supports including family members and community healthcare workers..

- Monitor patient progress by completing each of the steps on their care plan which may involve follow-up medical visits, meeting with specialists, nutrition, behavioral health or assistance with finding shelter, food supports or any variety of aid that will help to stabilize and encourage them to make positive progress on their goals..
- Appropriately refer patients to community resources and other organizations and be actively involved in making connections and following up with patients such as 12 step and other recovery support groups.

Core Competencies/Skill Sets

- Must have experience working with a diverse population and must be culturally competent.
- Behavioral Health background preferred.
- Knowledge of local and regional recovery based resources, both traditional and non-traditional.
- Working knowledge of medication assisted treatment formulations as tools to support recovery.
- Bilingual English/Spanish preferred.

Professional Experience/Educational Requirements

- Two years of human service experience preferred.
- Recovery Coach with at least 2 years of sobriety from alcohol/substance abuse.

Certification/Licensure

Recovery Coach Certification

Position complies with grant requirements