

Join our clinical team and make a difference in lives of individuals with substance use and abuse issues. Substance Abuse Counselors offer guidance to individuals and groups who are dealing with substance use and abuse issues that affect their well-being. Many counselors approach their work holistically, using a “wellness” model (as opposed to an “illness” one) which highlights and encourages client’s strengths.

On the job, substance abuse counselor:

- Work with individual and group counseling using Evidence Based Practices.
- Completing assessments, evaluations, progress notes and other necessary paperwork associated with managing a caseload.
- Encourage clients to discuss emotions and experiences
- Guide clients in the development of skills and strategies for dealing with their problems
- Help clients define goals, plan action and gain insight
- Conducting urinalysis screenings.
- Providing crisis interventions as needed.
- Maintain confidentiality of records relating to clients' treatment
- Providing supportive counseling services.
- Contributing to the ongoing assessment and treatment planning process through participation in daily reports, case reviews, and treatment team meetings.
- Work with families
- Refer clients to psychologists and other services
- Prepare and maintain all required treatment records and reports
- Collect information about clients through interviews, observation, and tests.
- Act as client advocates in order to coordinate required services or to resolve emergency problems in crisis situations.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of counseling programs and clients' progress in resolving identified problems and moving towards defined objectives.

Preference given to candidates with the following:

- The most qualified candidates will possess a BA / BS degree with College level credit in Substance Abuse or its related fields of: Counseling, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work, Human Services, or Criminal Justice. Must be IBC certified or certifiable.
- This candidate will also have good problem solving and analytical abilities, as well as be proficient in verbal and written communication and have excellent customer service, organizational and interpersonal skills.
- No legal impediments to serving in a licensed treatment program.
- Must have a valid driver's license.
- Licensed Social Worker preferred.

Education:

- Bachelor’s (Required)

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Hourly Wage: \$14.00 to \$16.50 /hour

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