Position: Social Work Advocate (Supportive Housing – Homeless At-Risk)
Job location: Bronx, NY
Full-time/Part-time: 40 & 20 Hours
Position reports to: Clinical Supervisor

Responsibilities

- Provide referrals to mental and medical services in the city of New York.

- Work as part of a team, with other Advocates at Unique People Services (UPS) and with health care providers in clinical settings.

- Ability and willingness to accept direction from supervisor.

- Comfort with the diversity (ethnicity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, etc.) of our multicultural community.

- Maintain required work schedule, be on time, keep work area neat and be accountable for how time is used.

- Use good judgment regarding confidentiality issues.

- Advocate for tenants by bringing concerns about services to providers' attention.

- Help members identify risk reduction strategies (safe sex, drug treatment, needle exchange, etc.)

QUALIFICATIONS: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. Basic computer proficiency required. Strong knowledge of serious mental illness & co-occurring physical health conditions, medical treatments and substance abuse issues required. High School Diploma/GED and one (1) year experience in peer advocacy and recordkeeping. Peer education training also required. Individual must have good oral and written communication skills; as well as good telephone skills. Must be honest and have a genuine compassion for individuals living with mental and physical disabilities. If addiction is an issue, must be clean and sober for at least one (1) year.

Reasonable accommodations will be considered to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

E-mail resumes: recruit@uniquepeopleservices.org with Word document attachments; OR Fax resume and cover letter to (718) 231-7720 Attn: HR
Only applicants being considered for an interview will be contacted.

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