



Medical Social Worker – FTR042018

Agency Description:

San Francisco Community Health Center (formerly known as API Wellness) is a federally qualified health center that provides culturally competent, high quality medical care, health services, education, and outreach. We transform lives by advancing health, wellness and equality. We strengthen the well-being of and lead underserved communities—of all races, ethnicities, gender identities, sexual orientations, and immigration statuses— toward justice and health. Founded in 1987 as an all-volunteer, community-based response to the AIDS crisis in communities of color, we are an anchor-organization for San Francisco’s Tenderloin neighborhood, and we also lead regional, statewide, and national programming.

We believe that everyone deserves to be healthy and needs access to the highest quality health care.

Job Description:

The Medical Social Worker collaborates with an interdisciplinary health care team and other service providers working in the Homeless Health Outreach and Mobile Engagement (HHOME) and Getting to Zero, Intensive Case Management programs. This positions offers an opportunity to People living with HIV/AIDS in the City and County of San Francisco to engage in mobile medical and psychosocial services. The position introduces and reconnects clients to services in the field and supports them as they begin to engage in a robust mobile program. Clients enrolled in both the HHOME and GTZ intensive case management programs are: individuals experiencing homelessness or who are marginally housed who may not be participating in services; multiply diagnosed with a high behavioral acuity; actively using substances with no intention of decreasing use; refugees, political asylees, immigrants or undocumented individuals; recently released from incarceration; and, actively engaged in palliative care.

Essential Functions:

- Collaborate intensely with interdisciplinary health care team;
- Conduct field based intake assessment, evaluating the social, emotional, and physical needs of clients;
- Provide case management for higher acuity clients as they enter both the HHOME and GTZ intensive case management programs;
- Provide service referral, linkage, coordination and advocacy services for clients, and
- Educate and support clients to be more familiar with and better access different systems of care (medical, complementary therapy, mental health, substance use, etc.);
- Conduct psychosocial, mental health and substance use counseling;

- Participate in the transition of clients to higher and lower levels of care based on acuity;
- Develop and renew clients' individualized client treatment plans regularly, and
- Coordinate with clients' medical providers weekly;
- Reinforce treatment goals that clients develop with medical providers and
- Tailor health education to the client and provide support for antiretroviral initiation and consistent adherence;
- Complete necessary documentation, UOS reports and treatment plans in a timely manner;
- Participate in weekly case conferences, monthly staff meetings and in-service trainings;
- Perform other duties and tasks as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Ability to sit, stand, and walk frequently (this position requires that the Getting to Zero Medical Social Worker be in the field at least 50% of the time)
- Masters in social work or related field
- Two years of experience providing counseling, advocacy, education and service coordination and/or outreach work to disenfranchised communities
- Knowledge of HIV/AIDS, STIs, substance use, mental health, social service and probation system
- Familiarity with HIV/AIDS issues in communities of color
- Knowledge of harm reduction philosophy, client centered counseling, and motivational interviewing techniques
- Must be adaptive, flexible, and a team player
- Strong verbal and written proficiency in English
- Spanish language skills preferred

Location:

- San Francisco, CA

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<https://home.eease.com/recruit/?id=15649341>

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