





Paths to Sacramento

## Division of Behavioral Health Mental Health ACCESS Program Behavioral Health Peer Specialist Announcement

The Access team is reimagining how we assist individuals who need timely linkages to mental health services in the community, by expanding our team to include Peers. We are looking for Peers who live with and successfully navigate their own mental health journey and recovery. We believe the added Peer positions will help speak directly to some of the experiences individuals are dealing with that will help them become more engaged in their own recovery. All Peer Specialists will receive training and support to help develop core competencies and eventually Peer certification.

The new Access team will consist of a Mental Health Program Manager, Mental Health Program Coordinator, Senior Mental Health Counselors, Mental Health Counselors, a Senior Peer Specialist, Peer Specialists, Senior Office Assistants, an Administrative Officer I and Administrative Service Officer II.

We look forward to having you join us in reimagining and enhancing the services we provide to the community!

**Job Title:** Behavioral Health Peer Specialist (Peer)

**Reports To:** Health Program Manager **Division:** Behavioral Health Services

Location: Hybrid telework and office: 7001-A East Parkway, Sacramento

**Status:** Full-time. Permanent

Salary: \$42,887.52 - \$47,293.20 (+ differentials for language and longevity) Annual Cost of Living Allowance

(COLA) increases based on labor relations agreements approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Schedule Options Include: M-F 8-5 with possible 9/80 work schedule option dependent on supervisor approval and business need.

## **Desired Knowledge Includes:**

- 1. Awareness of available and appropriate community resources and services.
- 2. Alternative practices that support wellness and recovery.
- 3. Methods and techniques to communicate effectively with behavioral health individuals receiving services, families/caregivers, the community, and treatment/care teams.
- 4. Cultural awareness and cultural sensitivity.
- 5. Organizational skills.
- 6. Ability to navigate Electronic Health Records, telephone, voicemail, fax machines, copy machines and Microsoft Programs.

## **Ideal Candidates Will Have The Ability To:**

- 1. Build upon individual, family and community strengths and skills.
- 2. Engage and connect with individuals struggling with mental health challenges.
- 3. Access and connect client with needed resources in the community (i.e. housing, etc.)
- 4. Collaborate with team members of varying levels of experience and skill.
- 5. Maintain confidentiality.
- 6. Communicate clearly and concisely, both verbally and in writing.
- 7. Ensure voice and choice are an active part of the process that respects individual rights.

If you are interested in this new and exciting opportunity and would like to be considered for an interview, please submit an application for the position of the Behavioral Health Peer Specialist with the Sacramento County Behavioral Health Services to the following link or QR Code:

https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sacramento

In addition to completing a county application, interested applicants should submit the following items to Tory Ross via email (Rossto@saccounty.net) or contact me at (916) 809-5469:

\*Letter of Interest

\* Resume

\* Three (3) Professional References