**CASAC**

LGBTQAI+ FriendlyCASC is responsible for providing intervention services to those individuals who are substance users or who may be "high risk" for substance use and related problems. The goal to reduce individual risk factors and increase protective factors This process begins with identifying the "at risk" individual, conducting an assessment and providing intervention services through referral. In addition, the Counselor may be called upon to do presentations related to drug use awareness in house and community settings. The Counselor will work towards developing service linkages with CBOs and agency personnel, where possible.

**Responsibilities:**

* Provide intervention services, including individual, group or family counseling, to individuals identified as "at risk" for substance use and related problems.
* Provide outreach services to engage clients and families who may be unable to attain services elsewhere.
* Maintain client records as required.
* Conduct assessments at intake to determine each client’s individual needs.
* Develop individualized services plans for each client addressing all needs identified at intake, including appropriate support services.
* Work with other agencies in networking for client services and making appropriate referrals.
* Provide case management services to all clients until the substance abuse issues are resolved or more appropriate services are identified, and the client is successfully referred.
* Provide follow-up/after care services for clients as appropriate.
* Maintain client confidentiality in accordance with Federal Law and State Laws.
* Provide outreach services to community groups in the form of classroom presentations, drug awareness presentations, in-service to staff or other agencies.
* Consult with community agencies for people not involved in direct service, as appropriate.
* As time permits, be available to the community at-large.
* Attending staff meetings and consultations as well as participating in case conferences.
* Participate in supervision with the Support Services Director.
* Compile data on monthly activities.
* Attend training and workshops to keep abreast of current drug abuse trends, techniques and skill development.
* Prepare and develop prevention counseling/education materials.
* Any other task which may be required.

**Qualifications:**

* A master’s degree in counseling, Social Work, Psychology or related field.
* A CASAC, CPP, or other NYS recognized QHP status, either at time of hiring or within 3 years of employment (to meet NYS OASAS QHP requirements) preferred.
* One year of experience in counseling in a social service setting ideal.