



Our Mission:

Empowering people to discover their directions for life in a changing world.

LPN CARE Nurse

Southeastern Directions for Life has an immediate opening for a full-time LPN CARE Nurse at the 5th Street location. Schedule is Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00.

QUALIFICATIONS: A Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), prefer at least 1 year of experience working with severe mentally ill (SMI) adults and other mental health professionals. Must have a strong commitment to the right and ability of each person with a severe mental illness to live in normal community residences; work in market jobs; and have access to helpful, adequate, competent, and continuous supports and services. Skills and competence to establish supportive trusting relationships with persons with severe mental illness and respect for client's rights and personal preferences in treatment are essential. Must have a valid driver's license and good driving record acceptable to Southeastern's Insurance provider. Completion of a State Board approved LPN program required. Currently licensed as a Licensed Practical Nurse with South Dakota State Nursing board and/or possess multi-state licensure privileges. Must renew licensure as required by the Board of Nursing. Functions within the legal scope of Nursing practice.

JOB SUMMARY: This member of the multidisciplinary team is responsible for assisting the Lead Nurse with the nursing and medical services; conducting psycho-social assessments; assessing physical health needs; making appropriate referrals to community physicians; providing management and administration of medication in conjunction with the psychiatrist; providing a range of treatment, rehabilitation, and support services; and case management. Participate as an active and positive member of the Team and provide education and support to other staff as needed and within limits of expertise. Flexibility required in emergencies and inclement weather.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS: Essential job functions include but are not limited to:

Professional Integrity and Growth:

1. Perform in accordance with the policies and procedures of Southeastern
2. Consult with community agencies and families to maintain coordination in the treatment process.
 - Document client progress to maintain a permanent record of client activity according to establish methods and procedures.
 - Participate in staff organizational meetings and treatment planning review meetings.
 - Participate in providing medication administration and medical services.

- Under the direction of the psychiatrist and in collaboration with other nurses on the team, develop, revise, and maintain psychopharmacological and medical treatment and medication policies and procedures including transcribing, administering, evaluating, and recording psychotropic medications prescribed by the team psychiatrist; evaluate and chart psychotropic medication effectiveness, complications, and side effects; and arrange for required lab work according to protocol.
 - LPN must have the ability to assess clients' personal hygiene, appearance, and symptomology, such as auditory hallucinations, various delusions, paranoia, depression, manic behavior, suicidal status, emotional intensity and social functioning.
3. Coordinate with Lead Nurse all nursing and medical/health promotion services within CSS.
 4. Under the direction of the team psychiatrist and in collaboration and with other nurses on the team;
 - Organize and manage the system of getting medication to clients as prescribed by the team psychiatrist.
 - Integrate medication administration into clients' individual treatment plans.
 - Manage pharmaceuticals and medical supplies and maintain adequate stock of necessary medical supplies.
 5. Psychiatric Treatment and Substance Use Treatment Services

Please email resume and/or application to: hr@southeasternbh.org

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