

Job Description

Post: Recovery Practitioner

Salary: £18-22k

Reports to: Service Manager

Purpose of role

Support clients in initiating and/or progressing their recovery journeys so that they can achieve more of their aspirations and potential in life. To assist the Service Manager in maintaining a therapeutic culture and programme by facilitating a range of therapeutic groups, delivering individual key work sessions and administrative duties including report writing. Practitioners are also expected to participate fully in training and supervision sessions.

Primary tasks

- 1. To participate in the life of the service as a member of the community in line with CHT's Psychologically Informed Environment model.
- 2. To facilitate various groups within the community under the supervision of the Service Manager and Community Psychologist
- 3. To co-produce clear and structured recovery, risk management and move-on plans with clients, working with the client both formally and informally towards their recovery goals
- 4. To build supportive and therapeutic relationships with clients through dialogue
- 5. To administer medication according to CHT's policies and procedures
- 6. Maintain excellent working relationships with Care Teams and Families

1 Therapeutic Practice

- To participate in ensuring that the service runs in adherence to CHT's model of service delivery.
- To participate in all areas of community life, supporting clients both practically and emotionally in informal and formal settings
- To facilitate various groups and meet with a number of clients individually for key work sessions
- To aid clients in integrating into the community, both within the service and in the wider community
- To promote high levels of client participation in service development and implementation
- To attend review meetings for key work clients and prepare progress reports
- To work with clients to develop and work towards their recovery plans



- To encourage clients in engaging with activities within the service and within the wider community
- To participate in formal reflective practice sessions run by the Community Psychologist
- To participate in CHT's internal training programme and periodic masterclasses
- To administer and support clients with their medication in line with CHT's procedures
- To keep in mind the aspects of Safeguarding and work with an understanding of Mental Capacity and Dignity in line with CHT's core framework
- To promote equality and diversity in their practice

2 Administration

- To share everyday administrative duties including writing up handovers, completing medication records, and various client focused reports
- To take the lead on certain administrative roles as directed by the Service Manager such as Medication Management, Health and Safety and Petty Cash
- To keep all written records up to date and clearly formulated
- To provide regular reports of client progress using outcome measures under the direction of the Service Manager
- To co-ordinate the collection and support in analysis of outcome measures

3 External Relations

- Develop and maintain excellent working relationships with Care Teams and Families in support of the clients recovery and in line with their wishes
- Organise regular meetings with Care Teams to discuss client progress and present outcome results
- To develop links in the wider community to support clients in engaging in meaningful activities such as leisure, employment or education

General

- Comply with CHT's Equal Opportunities Policy, Safeguarding Policy, Code of Conduct and other policies and procedures
- Act in the best interests of CHT and its clients, and to promote CHT's values and value in all conversations and situations
- To take part in various duties appropriate to being a member of the CHT Staff Team
- Undertake training and professional development appropriate to the role, and in agreement with the Chief Executive
- To take part in regular meetings, supervisions and appraisals

Person Specification

Essential:

Experience

1. Experience of working with or lived experience of complex mental health conditions



2. Experience of working within or lived experience of a recovery orientated approach to supporting adults with complex presentations

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities

- 3. Understanding of the recovery approach
- 4. Understand the support requirements of people with mental health and other associated conditions.
- 5. Ability to establish an effective working relationship with clients which is attachment centred and based on the Recovery approach including the skills for comprehensive assessment and action planning.
- 6. Have good interpersonal skills including active listening, clear and thorough information sharing and good verbal communication skills.
- 7. Ability to respond appropriately and effectively and de-escalate situations when faced with challenging or violent behaviour.
- 8. Good written, numeracy and administrative skills e.g.: ability to accurately and competently record comprehensive assessments, action plans and letters.
- 9. An awareness and understanding of Health & Safety issues related to working in a residential service
- 10. Knowledge and understanding of the statutory and voluntary services within mental health
- 11. The ability to initiate and maintain constructive and appropriate relations with clients and external agencies

General

- 12. Have a positive and compassionate attitude to working with those with complex mental health conditions as well as a belief and commitment to recovery
- 13. Able to demonstrate a willingness to engage in CPD
- 14. Commitment to working within a recovery / psychologically informed framework
- 15. An understanding of and commitment to diversity & equality
- 16. Willingness and ability to work shifts including evenings, weekends bank holidays including Christmas Eve/ Day and New Years Eve/ Day
- 17. Willingness to work flexibly in response to changing organisational requirements.

Desirable

18. Certificate in counselling skills or other similar and relevant qualification or experience of engaging in own psychological therapy