

T.H.O.M.A.S. (Those on the Margins of a Society) Job Description

Title of Post: Community Recovery Project Support Worker

Salary: £19300-£21323

Based at: Salford

Reports to: Services Manager

Responsible to: Chief Executive THOMAS

Area of Operation: Salford

Hours of Work: 37.5 Hours (Flexible)

<u>Role</u>

THOMAS provides psychosocial recovery services to people with drug and alcohol addictions. Its projects consist of residential and community based services. The post holder will work with service users to support effective engagement with recovery focused activity. This will involve supporting service users' engagement with volunteering, training and pathways into employment. It will also provide personalised coaching and on-going support to people who complete the group dynamic recovery programme.

The post holder will contribute to the mission and values of THIOMAS that promotes peer led communities. This Post is part of the Bolton Salford Trafford Achieve Partnership.

Key Tasks

Key Activities:

- To promote visible Recovery within Salford
- To provide personalised coaching
- To provide personalised on-going support to people who engage with volunteering, training and education
- To work with a caseload of clients and interact with electronic case management
- To contribute to recovery models and share ideas as part of an integrated recovery service
- To provide positive role model support to service users
- To mentor and guide service users in the recovery journey
- To support service users in the on going development of their psychosocial plan
- To give input to case management and data collection
- To support peer volunteers working within the recovery system
- To support service users as they engage in other community programmes
- To ensure that all activities are suitably recorded in accordance with THOMAS Policies, procedures and GMMH/ACHIEVE Partnership working with national guidelines
- To work with partnership organisations to develop and sustain effective treatment pathways
- To attend regular supervision and maintain a current knowledge of recovery interventions

 To work within the policies and procedures of THOMAS and the Achieve partnership.

In addition the post holder will:

- Seek to improve personal performance, contribution, knowledge and skills.
- Participate in appraisal, supervision and Learning & Development processes.
- Keep abreast of developments in services, legislation and practice relevant to the relevant client group.
- Ensure the implementation of the organisation's policies.
- Contribute to maintaining safe systems of work and a safe environment.
- Undertake other duties appropriate to the grade of the post.

Essential criteria:

- ✓ Experience of working within a group dynamic recovery programme
- ✓ Experience of abstinence based models of recovery
- ✓ Experience of promoting mutual support group and peer led activities
- ✓ Experience of working with peer mentors and providing recovery supervision
- ✓ Experience of facilitating therapeutic groups
- ✓ Knowledge of broad recovery concepts
- ✓ Knowledge of the issues caused by problematic alcohol and/or drug misuse, including appropriate medical, social care and

- health interventions
- ✓ Ability to assess recovery plan and formulate written reports as necessary.
- ✓ Experience of delivering brief interventions /drug counselling by applying models such as motivational interviewing and CBT
- ✓ Understanding and experience of assessment, care planning and referral process
- ✓ Experience of working to targets
- ✓ A flexible open approach and awareness of barriers to accessing services, facing hard to reach groups
- ✓ Understanding of effective and evidence based practices
- ✓ Experience of working in partnership with other agencies
- ✓ Confidence to work on own initiative as well as part of a team
- ✓ Understanding of the importance of upholding quality standards, performance monitoring and collating appropriate statistical Information
- ✓ Car driver

And the ability to:

- ✓ Communicate confidently and effectively, verbally and in writing.
- ✓ Respond flexibly to the demands of the post.
- ✓ Work as a member of a team.
- ✓ Show a capacity to work alone and the ability to keep calm
 under pressure.
- ✓ Understand and have a commitment to the principles of equal opportunity and diversity.
- ✓ Employ a mature, empathetic and non-judgmental attitude towards service users.
- ✓ Show commitment to facilitating positive outcomes for service users

✓ Knowledge of CQC Standards and other relevant quality and competency frameworks.

Desirable Criteria

Diploma or Post graduate qualification in addiction/group facilitation

This post is subject to DBS at an enhanced level.

Amendments: This description accurately reflects the present position; it may be amended and reviewed. Any change will be made following a proper period of consultation.

I fully understand this job specification.
Print Name:
Signed
Date