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Core Competencies

Crisis Intervention
Behavioral Health
Recovery Coaching
Motivational Interviewing
Suicide Prevention
WRAP Planning

Group Facilitation
Peer Support
Trauma -Informed Care
Documentation
De-escalation
Case Coordination

Community Resources
Patient Advocacy

Professional Summary

Compassionate and dedicated Certified Peer Recovery Specialist III with extensive experience supporting individuals experiencing substance use disorders, mental health challenges, and psychiatric crises. Skilled in crisis intervention, deescalation, motivational interviewing, recovery planning, and peer advocacy. Experienced collaborating with multidisciplinary treatment teams in forensic behavioral health settings to promote recovery, wellness, and successful community reintegration. Recognized for building trusting relationships, empowering individuals through lived experience, and providing compassionate, person-centered care.

Work Experience

Certified Peer Recovery Specialist II

Eastern Shore Hospital Center (Forensic)-Cambridge, MD
October 2023- July 2024

Certified Peer Recovery Specialist III

Eastern Shore Hospital Center (Forensic)-Cambridge, MD
July 2024 to Present

Provide individualized peer support to forensic psychiatric patients recovering from mental illness and substance use disorders.

Develop personalized recovery and wellness plans (WRAP) to promote long-term recovery and independence.

Serve as an active member of the treatment teams alongside psychiatrists, psychologists, nurses, and social workers.

Facilitate psychoeducational and recovery-focused group sessions.

Advocate for patients' needs while encouraging self-advocacy and personal empowerment.

Connects patients with community resources and recovery supports to prepare for successful discharge.

Assist patients in understanding competency requirements and preparing for court-related proceedings.

Utilize lived experience to inspire hope, reduce stigma, and model successful recovery.

Integrated Forensic Peer Recovery Specialist

Eastern Shore Hospital Center (Forensic)- Cambridge, MD

July 2026 to present

Phone Counselor

Eastern Shore Crisis Response-Easton, MD

September 2021 to Present

Provide immediate crisis intervention and emotional support to individuals experiencing behavioral health emergencies.

Conduct suicide risk assessments and develop individualized safety plans.

Utilize active listening, de-escalation techniques, and problem-solving skills to stabilize callers during crises.

Coordinate emergency services, including dispatching 911 and mobile crisis response teams when appropriate.

Maintain accurate and timely documentation in accordance with agency standards.

Conduct post-crisis follow-up to ensure continued support and connection to community resources.

Collaborated with healthcare providers, law enforcement, and community agencies to ensure continuity of care.

Certified in suicide prevention and crisis intervention.

Education

High school diploma

Easton High School - Easton, MD

Certifications and Licenses

Integrated Forensic Peer Recovery Specialist 07/01/2026

Certified Peer Recovery Specialist III 08/08/2024

American Association of Suicidology Certified 07/01/2026

First Aid CPR Certified 03/25/2026

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training 08/28/2025