

Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program

Job Posting

Position Title: Office Based Addiction Treatment Staff Nurse

Program/Site: Casa Esperanza/ Other BHCP sites

Reports to: OBAT Supervisor

Your time at work should be fulfilling. Rewarding. Inspiring. That is what you'll find when you join Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program (BHCHP). At BHCHP over 12,000 men, women, and children experiencing homelessness are seen each year. We are committed to ensuring that every one of these individuals has access to comprehensive health care, from preventative dental services to cancer treatment. You will find challenging and satisfying work every day alongside people who share the same drive and compassion as you do.

In this vital role as an Office Based Addiction Treatment Staff Nurse, you will provide skilled **BILINGUAL** (Spanish and English) nursing services to opioid dependent patients and their significant support systems including: ongoing assessment, intakes, evaluations, triage, teaching, inductions, and stabilizations. Assist in the primary care of patients within the opioid treatment program, and facilitate support and services provided at other settings. Collaborate with team members at various BHCHP clinic settings, outside referral sites, and with providers from addiction settings throughout Massachusetts. This position will be half time at Casa Esperanza and half time at one of our other BHCHP sites. This position will report directly to the OBAT Supervisor with a dotted line to the specific site directors.

Primary Duties:

- Perform initial assessment and intake obtaining social, medical, mental health, substance abuse and medication history.
- Collaborate, communicate, and meet with opioid treatment team as needed and required
- Provide education and assessment to patients looking to access opioid treatment programs
- Assess and monitor patients in the induction, stabilization, and maintenance phases of treatment
- Provide ongoing management, education, and support of patients in all phases of treatment including: nursing visits scheduled and random, urine toxicology screens, routine labs and as needed, medication teaching, monitoring, pill counts, observed dosing, and medication refills.
- Follow State and Federal guidelines in providing care to opioid dependent patients in collaboration with licensed, prescribing physicians and pharmacy
- Complete appropriate documentation with record keeping
- Assist in the ongoing primary care of patients referred to the opioid treatment program
- Consistently use clear, concise, and effective written and oral communication; and comply with departmental policies when sharing/documenting relevant patient care data.
- Works with the pharmacy and the OBAT team in obtaining medication orders, prescriptions, refills, and communication as needed

Duties and responsibilities may be added, deleted or changed to meet program needs, at the discretion of the supervisor.

Qualifications:

- **Bilingual in Spanish and English**
- Licensed to practice professional nursing as a registered nurse in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts required
- Experience with the homeless population preferred
- Certified in related specialty areas preferred
- Leadership experience with the ability to work autonomously preferred
- Minimum of 2 years of nursing experience as an RN preferred, but not required; recent RN grads should have training or experience specifically applicable to this job
- Comfort with issues related to addiction, harm reduction, and HIV/AIDS
- Knowledge of community, and health resources, particularly addiction related resources and supports
- Effective verbal, written, and interpersonal skills with ability to interact with providers and team members from various settings
- Sensitivity to ethnic, cultural, gender difference; beliefs, and behaviors
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment, with excellent communication skills, critical thinking, and problem-solving abilities

Physical and Mental Requirements

Must be bilingual in Spanish and English

Ability to travel to multiple sites

Demonstrated interest in working with an underserved population

This is a full time, benefits eligible position, Monday–Friday 8:30am-5:00pm; Hours May Vary

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