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Segue, Inc. is recruiting a Peer Support Specialist for our Hillsdale office. This is a full time (40 hour/week) position with benefits (i.e., health, dental, vision, and life insurances, vacation and sick accruals). Wage is \$12.00/hr. Interested candidates may email their resume and cover letter to [dmonroe@segueinc.org](mailto:dmonroe@segueinc.org), fax to (517) 784-7546, or submit through our website: [www.segueinc.org](http://www.segueinc.org).

**Position Summary:**

The Peer Support Specialist is a person who is, or has been a recipient of mental health services. This individual is a fully integrated member of the Assertive Community Treatment team, and function as a role model to peers, exhibiting competency in personal recovery and use of coping skills, and serve as a consumer advocate.

**Qualifications:**

- Successful completion of high school or equivalent
- Current or former recipient of mental health and/or substance abuse services, who has achieved a level of recovery allowing for productive work.
- Ability to establish supportive and trusting relationships with other consumers.
- Knowledge and skill to teach and engage in basic problem solving strategies to support individual consumers in self-directed recovery.
- Knowledge of the signs and symptoms of mental illness (i.e., auditory and visual hallucinations, aggressive talk and behavior, thought of self-harm or harm towards others, isolation) and the ability to assist the consumer to address symptoms using strategies such as positive self-talk.
- Peer Support Specialist certification from the MDHHS or training within 6 months of hire.
- Able to type 35 wpm with high degree of accuracy.
- Experience working with electronic medical record software, preferred.

**Essential Job Responsibilities:**

- Carries out job duties as a member of the treatment team, and contributes to the team's ongoing assessment of clients' symptoms and response to treatment.
- Provides peer support services with individuals or groups, per Medicaid standards.
- Assists team members to understand client perspectives.
- Shares stories of recovery to consumers for the purpose of motivating and offering hope.
- Provides encouragement to help clients socialize in community and peer-run activities.
- Facilitates recovery-focused groups.