



## JOB DESCRIPTION

**Title:** Peer Outreach Specialist – Spanish and Cantonese Speaking Preferred

**Reports to:** Peer to Peer Program Manager

**Part-Time Position:** Approximately 18 hours/ week

Under the supervision of the Program Manager, the Peer Outreach Specialist provides outreach to isolated older adults in San Francisco's Civic Center and Tenderloin neighborhoods. Therefore, we are seeking candidates with direct experience as a mental health consumer or as a family member of a mental health consumer with preference of having 2 years of experience providing peer outreach services to consumers of behavioral health. Knowledge and demonstrated history of integrating Wellness and Recovery principles in previous work is desired as well as the ability to work effectively and interact professionally with a diverse, multi-cultural, and interdisciplinary team. Living in or familiarity with San Francisco's Downtown neighborhoods is a plus in terms of understanding the client's environment.

### Essential duties of this position

- Develop trusting relationships with socially isolated older adults.
- Advocate for and model recovery and wellness
- Create linkages to community resources, treatment services, and social activities.
- Identify traditional and non-traditional venues where socially isolated older adults may be reached.
- Learn and use effective outreach and engagement strategies to address the needs of socially isolated older adults.
- Must be able to travel to and from the program sites and other locations where outreach and services will be provided.
- Provide culturally sensitive behavioral health assessment.
- Engage in supervision and training and demonstrate an interest in learning new skills.
- Completion of a mental health certificate program or equivalent education, very strongly preferred
- Maintain and submit accurate records, timesheets, and other program-related documentation by established deadlines
- Develop and maintain clear, open, timely, cooperative, and diplomatic communications and working relations with all staff, consumers, and partner agencies
- Serve as model of professional standards for clients.
- Perform other duties as assigned

### Additional Detail About This Work.

Peer outreach services are defined as services provided by consumers, family members, and other individuals who are on their own recovery journey and have received training in how to be helpful to others who are struggling with mental health issues. Peer outreach services are customized to the needs of each individual who is served. The services include opportunities to advocate for themselves, meet their goals for recovery, make connections inside and outside of the mental health system, get a job or volunteer position, find housing, and learn skills to live well and have a meaningful role in the community.

To apply for this position, please apply online via craigslist posting or email a cover letter and resume to [jmark@curryseniorcenter.org](mailto:jmark@curryseniorcenter.org) and include “Peer Outreach Specialist – [Your Name]” in the subject line. Salary is competitive with other non-profit organizations providing similar services.

You can also email a cover letter and resume to:

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