



Northeast Valley Health Corporation

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NEVHC is a federally funded Non-profit Community Health Center organization operating 14 Joint Commission accredited licensed primary care health centers. One of the largest health centers in the USA.

Northeast Valley Health Corporation is hiring full-time **Substance Use Counselor** for its Behavioral Health department. The mission of Northeast Valley Health Corporation is to provide quality, safe and comprehensive healthcare to the medically underserved residents of Los Angeles County, particularly in the San Fernando and Santa Clarita Valleys, in a manner that is sensitive to the economic, social, cultural and linguistic needs of the community.

Summary:

Under the general supervision of the Associate Director of Behavioral Health and SUD, the Substance Use Disorder Counselor I works with patients/individuals who are addicted to a wide variety of substances. The Substance Use Counselor I provides counseling and supportive services to patients and their support system(s) to overcome their addiction and provides linkage such as referring to external agencies for treatment beyond the scope of primary care. The Substance Use Counselor I is part of the integrated medical/behavioral care team and works with a variety of other care team members to improve positive outcomes.

Qualifications:

1. Registered or Certified Substance Use Counselor with Addiction Counselor Board of California
2. Works in collaboration with NEVHC interdisciplinary clinical team to provide evidence-based counseling to patients addicted to drugs and/or alcohol. Schedules sessions with patients; refers patient as appropriate to other internal or external services. Tracks patient progress and documents. Works collaboratively with behavioral health providers on site.
3. Encourages and guides patients through a recovery process by utilizing Motivational Interviewing techniques that aid patients to overcome triggers for substance use/abuse.
4. Provides services in the form of individual, group, and with patients' support system(s), crisis intervention, and linkage directed at reducing psycho-social stressors and promoting alternative choices. Maintains patients' files and documents in the electronic health record according to confidentiality and HIPAA regulations.
5. Performs outreach activities as directed to build caseload. Carries out health education activities related to SUD to expand awareness of services and resources in health centers and community.
6. Functions as a guide and offers assistance to patients in navigating the health care system; including mental health, substance use services, and accessing related social services to improve care and treatment.
7. Establishes and maintains communication between patients, their support system(s), providers, behavioral health staff, and the health care team to facilitate care.
8. Conducts health education classes on substance use topics

For more information or to apply, please visit us at www.NEVHC.org

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