

JOB DESCRIPTION: Care Manager

	Job Title:	Care				
	Department:	Operations				
	Reporting to:	Care Manger Supervisor				
	Department Head:	Chief Operations Officer				
L	Level: Individual Contributor		Type of position: Full Time	FLSA Status: Exempt		

Position Summary

To facilitate positive change in children with emotional and behavioral challenges along with their families, following the Wraparound process and the strength-based philosophy in partnership with stakeholders and service providers in the NJ System of Care network.

Key Responsibilities

The Care Manager coordinates and facilitates the Wraparound process of working with youth and families utilizing a strength-based team approach to ensure family's needs are addressed and met.

Key responsibilities include:

- Becoming proficient in the wraparound model and process as the standard of care management delivery.
- Helping families identify needs the CM is certified by the NJ Division of Children's System of Care to
 assess and complete Strength and Needs Assessments. This tool is used to identify strengths and needs
 of the child and family as a guide for planning purposes.
- Creating comprehensive Individual Service Plans that identify specific needs as well as identifying
 strategies to address those needs. Throughout this process, the SCM maintains contact with many system
 partners (DCP&P, Probation, Juvenile Justice, school systems). This planning process includes ongoing
 assessment to determine if the interventions implemented are having positive outcomes. Completes all
 required documentation, plan development and target performance goals as defined by the contract and the
 internal QAPI plan established by the Capitol County Children's Collaborative
- Ongoing engagement with the child and family state expectations stipulate that the CM meets with his/her families optimally twice a month for visits. Throughout their tenure with Capitol County Children's Collaborative, the CM offers supportive counseling as most of our families are overwhelmed by multi-systemic needs (mental health, substance abuse, alcohol/drug abuse, poverty, and a lack of community-based resources needed for long-term stability). The CM works with the families from a strength-based perspective with the goal of helping the families achieve empowerment and self-determination.
- Community linkage Link families to available resources in the community including housing, rental assistance, social service entitlements, domestic violence, outpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment facilities, food pantries, etc.
- Client-Centered advocacy The CM attends meetings with families (school, DCP&P, court hearings, mental health appointments) to ensure the family's voice is heard.
- In order to perform the duties of this job effectively, the agency requires all CM's are to carry a valid US driver's license and the ability to drive throughout the day to meet with youth and families as well as System of Care partners at various locations throughout the Tri-State Area.
- CM's will submit complete documentation for Digital Data Recording System (DDRS) on a timely basis
- Serve on call on a rotating basis so that 24/7 coverage is maintained.
- Strictly enforces confidentiality regulations and HIPAA at all times

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each key responsibility satisfactorily. The responsibilities listed are representative of the knowledge, skills, competencies, qualifications, experience, and/or ability required.

Knowledge

- Wraparound philosophy, principles, and process
- New Jersey System of Care processes and partners
- MIS standard reporting, documentation, referral, and authorization processes
- Broad understanding of our customer base (i.e. children, families, human service agencies, schools, etc.).
- Knowledge of community resources
- Child development and psychology
- Child/adolescent behavioral health and management (including DSM-V)
- Knowledge of educational system, including special education
- Knowledge of child welfare system
- Knowledge of Juvenile justice system
- Knowledge of child protection services

Skills

- Use of Agency technology tools CYBER, MS Office365, Outlook, Mercer Resource Net, Power BI, Digital Data Recording System (DDRS), and other collaborative tools
- Strength and needs assessment
- Team facilitation
- Motivational techniques
- Ability to effect change through influence
- Conflict management
- Leadership
- Time management
- Crisis management
- Communications (oral and written)
- Advocacy
- Organization and prioritization skills
- Active listening
- Problem solving
- Responsible driving

Competencies

Engagement	Establish common agenda with stakeholders based on shared concerns; motivate and mobilize others to build momentum to get things done; invest in time and energy to form coalition; form collaboration and drive results through influence.
Team Facilitation	Invite the right members to the team; create a safe and encouraging team environment; understand and leverage team members' strengths; establish common agenda to engage team participation; assign meaningful tasks to team members and remove barriers for team goals; keep team members informed of team progress; keep communication channels open for all.
Change Agent	Take initiative to improve existing work conditions and processes; identify new opportunities to challenge the status quo in support of the Wraparound values and principles; become a facilitator of change; help others adapt to new business conditions.
Communication	Clearly convey information and ideas to others through a variety of media and formats, tailor the methods and language to the audience to facilitate understanding and retention of the messages; personalize the exchange of information to develop buy-in and commitment in others.
Youth and Families Focus	Make families and their needs a primary focus of actions; strive to meet or exceed family expectations; develop and sustain productive internal and external customer relationships.

Conflict	Manage diverse and opposing ideas to create healthy tension among different parties;	
Management	leverage difference of opinions to encourage diversity and creativity; promote productive dialogue to increase mutual understanding among parties and achieve winwin for all; resolve confrontation and disagreements in a constructive manner	
Professional	Stay up-to-date in own profession; apply latest knowledge and best practices to the jo	
Skills/Expertise	in order to enhance performance of the entire organization; share new learning with	
	team members; innovate and create processes and practices that fit the culture and	
	business needs of the organization.	

Personal Qualities

- Detail-oriented
- Striving for quality
- Take initiative
- Responsible and accountable
- Non-judgmental/empathetic/compassionate
- Innovative/creative
- Flexible/adaptive to changing environment
- Can work independently
- Personable/easy to connect with people
- Collaborative
- Culturally competent
- Assertive
- Optimistic
- Persevering
- Self-Awareness

Qualifications: Education and Experience

- Education: BA/BS degree in a relevant field (e.g. social work, counseling, psychology, psychiatric nursing, criminal justice, special education)
- MS, MA, MSW degree desirable
- LSW or LAC licensure desirable
- Experience: Minimum 1-year experience working with at-risk children and their families

Other Qualifications (certification, licensure, etc.)

- Knowledge of community resources
- Strength and Needs assessment certification (CANS)
- NJ System of Care Association Care Manager/Wraparound Facilitator Training & Certification
- Effective communications (oral and written) in English and Spanish (if bilingual)
- A valid US driver's license is required.
- Pre-employment background check and regular motor vehicle record check are required.
- The agency provides 24x7 service coverage and care managers are required to be on call on rotational basis.
- Care Manager certified
- Bi-lingual skills a plus

Work Environment

- Daily work hours may vary depending on the needs of the families served. In addition must be able to work
 a flexible schedule to accommodate families' needs when it comes to scheduling visits.
- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to perform some or all of the major life activities including sit, stand, walk, talk, type, hear, and make phone calls.

Occasional light lifting may be required.

Approved By:	Deborah Megaro	Last Update:	3/1/19
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^{*}Note: Job duties described herein are not all inclusive. Job description may be changed at any time.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

I have read and acknowledge receipt of this job description and agree to have the ability to perform the responsibilities as described above. I understand this job description is intended to describe the general nature and level of work performed by persons assigned to this classification. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of responsibilities, duties, and skills required of employees who hold this position. I further acknowledge my understanding that reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. It is the employee's responsibility to inform his/her manager or human resources of the need for a reasonable accommodation.

Employee (Print)	Supervisor (Print)
Employee Signature	Supervisor Signature
Date	Date