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## **Unlicensed Professionals**

Unlicensed professionals of MCR services must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Be at least twenty-four (24) years old; and
- 2. Possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree (preferred) OR an associate's degree and two (2) years of work experience in the human services field.

# **Peer Support Specialist (PSS)**

A PSS must have lived experience with mental illness and/or substance use disorders and must successfully complete a required peer training and credentialing program approved by the Office of Behavioral Health. This includes ongoing completion of continuing education requirements consistent with Louisiana requirements for peer support. A peer support specialist must receive regularly scheduled clinical supervision from a <u>Peer Supervisor. The Peer Supervisor must be a</u> Licensed Mental Health Professional (LMHP) or be supervised by an LMHP. <u>LMHP sPeer Supervisors</u> must have the practice-specific education, experience, training, and credentials<del>, and</del> licensure to coordinate an array of behavioral health services<u>, and shall complete the</u> required OBH-approved Peer Supervisor Training.

Individuals providing MCR services must be trained in trauma-informed care, deescalation strategies, and harm reduction prior to rendering services.

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### **Service Delivery**

- A. All mental health services must be medically necessary. The medical necessity for services shall be determined by an LMHP or physician who is acting within the scope of their professional license and applicable state law.
- B. All services shall be delivered in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations, the provider manual, and other notices or directives issued by the Department. The provider shall create and maintain documents to substantiate that all requirements are met.
- C. Services rendered by the Peer Specialist will be coordinated within the context of a comprehensive, individualized plan of care that includes specific individualized goals, with supervision provided to the Peer Specialist by a Licensed Mental Health Professional.
- **D**.<u>C</u>. Each provider of adult mental health services shall enter into a contract with one or more of the managed care organizations in order to receive reimbursement for Medicaid covered services.
- **E.**D. There shall be recipient involvement throughout the planning and delivery of services.
  - 1. Services shall be
    - a. delivered in a culturally and linguistically competent manner; and
    - b. respectful of the individual receiving services.
  - 2. Services shall be appropriate to individuals of diverse racial, ethnic, religious, sexual, and gender identities and other cultural and linguistic groups. Services shall be appropriate for:
    - a. age;
    - b. development; and
    - c. education.
- F.E. Anyone providing adult mental health services must operate within their scope of practice license.
- G.F. Fidelity reviews must be conducted for evidenced based practices on an ongoing basis as determined necessary by the Department.
- H.G. Services may be provided in the community or in the individual's place of residence as outlined in the treatment plan. Services shall not be provided at an institution for mental disease (IMD).