## SOUTHERN TIER INDEPENDENCE CENTER Job Description

Position: Open Doors Transition Specialist

Hours: Part Time-20 hours per week

## **Qualifications**

- 1. Bachelors in human services or related field
- 2. Experience working within the Long Term Care system
- 3. Knowledge of various Medicaid waivers and programs: TBI, NHTD, OPWDD, MLTCs
- 4. Extensive knowledge of services, community supports and benefit programs available to people with disabilities
- 5. Extensive knowledge of different, disabling conditions
- 6. Possess excellent communication, conflict resolution and organizational skills
- 7. Knowledge of community and government/benefit resources that facilitate transition from institutional to community living
- 8. Strong commitment to the independent living philosophy and in community integration for all people with disabilities.
- 9. Possess excellent time management skills to maintain caseload, community outreach, documentation and any other required duties.
- 10. Ability to effectively interact and work with individuals from diverse backgrounds.
- 11. Ability to multi-task and work effectively in both a team and individual setting.
- 12. Valid Driver's License and a reliable vehicle.

## Responsibilities

- 1. Extensive travel in multi-county area for face-to-face visits.
- 2. Attend trainings and participate in professional development necessary to successfully implement the Open Doors/ MFP Project.
- 3. Receive and process referrals from lead coordinator, NYAIL, facilities, individuals and family members and ensure the transition process is coordinated for each participant.
- 4. Coordinate visits to facilities and homes to provide unbiased information on home and community based services
- 5. Participate in discharge planning for individuals transitioning from institutions (nursing facilities, large IRAs) into the community.
- 6. Provide information, linkages and referrals on behalf of participant.
- 7. Assist and advocate for participant to develop a person-centered transition plan.
- 8. Represent the Open Doors/MFP Project at all implementation, development, and outreach meetings.
- 9. Comply with all agency policies and procedures including HIPAA, confidentiality, code of ethics, etc.
- 10. Collect all required data/statistics and complete all STIC, NYAIL and Department of Health (DOH) reports in a comprehensive and timely manner.
- 11. Attend all mandatory agency trainings, meetings, sign language class and advocacy groups.

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