Job Description

TITLE: Jail Diversion Clinician – Co-Response Model

PROGRAM: Jail Diversion

SUPERVISOR: Director of Community Intervention Services in conjunction with assigned Jail Diversion Police Sergeant

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Clinical Master's degree (reimbursable by Mass Health); one year of emergency services experience required; experience working with the criminal justice system preferred; jail diversion experience preferred; extensive knowledge of DSM IV; in-depth knowledge of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 123 and its applications; ability to complete computerized evaluations; ability to work independently at assigned police station; must have valid MA driver's license and use of car.

Responsibilities:

- Attend Roll Call at the assigned police agency.
- Receive and respond to pending assignments.
- Accompany officers on patrol for portions of the work shift.
- Develop and maintain effective relationships with all members of the police department.
- Perform evaluations of clients in acute crisis (including suicide/homicide assessments, mental status exams, evaluation of support networks and resource availability) and provides short-term intensive crisis intervention with the client.
- Conduct on-scene evaluations in locations such as homes, schools, shelters, and other community settings.
- Screen clients for admissions to hospitals, diversionary programs, and Crisis Stabilization Unit.
- Present level of care assessments to managed care companies, hospitals, and other agencies that offer appropriate services for client.
- Provide follow-up services to individuals who have had an emergency encounter
- Coordinate and collaborate with community stakeholders
- Educate the community regarding jail diversion services
- Document thoroughly, legibly, and promptly, all client interventions; maintain accurate client records in accordance with regulatory, departmental, and agency standards.
- Complete all necessary paperwork and billing documentation.
- Collect data and submit reports as required by assigned police station's Jail Diversion contract with Department of Mental Health and by other funding sources as applicable.

- **Enter all evaluations completely on computer.**
- **Attend and participate in meetings as directed, including monthly Edinburg Center Emergency Services staff meetings and care coordination and planning meetings with the assigned police agency and community providers.**
- **Provide quality customer service to clients, families, other providers, funding sources, etc.**
- **Participate in quality management initiatives.**
- **Provide orientation, training, and supervision of other Jail Diversion Clinicians at assigned police station.**
- **Provide training to officers in the assigned police agency on topics that include, but are not limited to, basic crisis intervention strategies, signs and symptoms of mental illness, and suicide risk and prevention.**
- **Conduct proactive outreach to identify people in the assigned community who are in need of mental health or other support services.**
- **Other job duties as assigned.**