CARE COORDINATOR/MEDICAL SOCIAL ASSOCIATE

**DEPARTMENT: Core – Mokena** 

FLSA: Exempt

**UNION: SEIU 73 Professional** 

JOB POSTING: #18-004 (Exam Request title: Medical Social Associate)

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The minimum acceptable qualifications for a Medical Social Associate are:

1. A. Bachelor's degree with a major in the social or behavioral science or related health specialty from an accredited college or university.

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- B. Master's degree in social or behavioral science or related health specialty area from an accredited college or university.
- 2. One (1) year (12 months) of progressively more responsible full-time experience in the practice of social services/agencies or medical/clinical setting maintaining acceptable standards of social work practices.

#### **FUNCTION:**

The DSCC Care Coordinator/Consultant provides limited care coordination services to families eligible for DSCC services within a particular geographic area. Provides some assistance to other Care Coordinators and Regional Manager. Provides consultation to other members of the multi-disciplinary team utilizing skills and knowledge acquired from academic training and professional experience.

### **WORK ACTIVITIES:**

Provides services as a coordinator assistant:

- Provides support to the Regional Manager, including preparing confidential material.
- Independently coordinates RO equipment, supplies and other resources in support of care coordination activities.
- Records, prepares and transmits information, i.e., demographic and medical social data from applicants/recipients, families and Care Coordinators, including completing forms and letters in support of care coordination services.
- Enters, updates, and maintains applicant/recipient information in the Children's Health Information Management System (CHIMS) data base.
- Maintains and uses reminders/CHIMS Tickle Report to track needed follow-up for applicants/recipients.
- Receives and appropriately processes telephone and face-to-face inquiries from applicants/recipients and their families, providers and the general public about Division services including referral to other resources when ineligible for DSCC.
- Maintains confidential applicant/recipient records, filing documents using agency guidelines, including processing transferred, volume and discontinued records.
- Processes necessary information to determine DSCC eligibility on all applicants referred for services.
- Receives, processes and routes incoming/outgoing written applicant/recipient correspondence, reports, etc.
- Performs clinic duties, as assigned.
- Arranges for translation or interpreter services for applicants/recipients or their family, and if applicable to their area of expertise, provides bilingual translation to staff for children and their families with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) through face-to-face, telephone and written interaction.
- Assists Care Coordinators and families with care coordination activities, including activities such as staff support for clinics, satellites, referrals to other resources, arranging medical services for applicants/recipients.
- Assists in establishing DSCC Outreach programs and works independently at these events throughout the Regional Office area, including health fairs and community organizational meetings.
- Determines family's DSCC financial eligibility based upon submitted documentation.
- Assists Care Coordinators and families with private/public health insurance through effective benefits management practices for applicants/recipients.
- Assists with training of new staff.

- Provides back-up assistance for other staff.
- Participates in Division staff meetings and in-service training sessions.

#### Provides care coordination services:

- Develops a care coordination plan that is family-centered, community based and coordinated.
- Facilitates the implementation of the care coordination plan.
- Monitors the care plan activities.
- Revises the care coordination plan to address the changing and ongoing concerns and priorities of the family.

# Identifies children eligible for DSCC services:

- Determines general eligibility for each assigned case.
- Determines medical eligibility for each assigned case.
- Assists in the completion of the financial application process for each assigned case.
- Identifies potentially eligible children for the Home Care Waiver Program (HCWP).

# Participates as a member of the Regional Office multi-disciplinary team:

- Complies with University, Division and Regional Office policy and procedures.
- Provides state-of-the-art discipline based expertise to the Regional Office multi-disciplinary team.
- Maintains an area of psychosocial expertise in support of the Regional Office multi-disciplinary team.

# Promotes interagency collaboration and an organized network of integrated services:

- Provides community education programs regarding DSCC services.
- Participates in developing and/or implementing a networking plan for the Regional Office.

## Participates in special projects impacting DSCC:

- Participates in agency committees/projects on a regional or statewide basis.
- Participates in DSCC sponsored interagency programs.

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