

# Job Description Peer Advocate

#### JOB SUMMARY

The Peer Advocate position will function as a member of the Prevention Department at McCall Center for Behavioral Health. The peer advocate will be a key member and of the Region 7/Winsted Coalition to Prevent Youth Substance Abuse which includes the towns of Barkhamsted, Colebrook, New Hartford, Norfolk, and Winchester. The position is for 6 hours a week, with days and hours flexible and will report to the Project Coordinator for the PFS grant.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITES**

Develop collaborative partnership with school and community youth groups.

Attend grant required trainings.

Attend monthly coalition meetings.

Participate in training on the Strategic Prevention Framework.

Provide opportunities for youth to work with directly with the coalition in all steps of the Strategic Prevention Framework.

Represent the coalition on the Governor's Prevention Partnership youth advisory board.

## EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE/QUALIFICATIONS

Preferred resident of Barkhamsted, Colebrook, New Hartford, Norfolk, or Winchester.

Must be under the age of 25.

Strong interest in substance abuse prevention.

Excellent communication skills

Must display interpersonal skills and the ability to work with diverse populations including but not limited to youth, schools, law enforcement and community leaders.

Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer

## TO APPLY

**All eligible applicants** will submit an essay (one page or less) to discuss why substance abuse prevention work is important to you. Please include any previous involvement in a leadership role. Times New Roman 12-point font preferred.

Responses may be submitted to Leann Mitchell at <u>leann.mitchell@mccallcenterct.org</u> or sent to 58 High St. Torrington, CT 06790.