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# **EMPLOYMENT NOTICE**

Taconic Resources for Independence, Inc. is dedicated to empowering persons with disabilities to lead self-directed lives in the community with independence, full inclusion and dignity.

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**Position: MOBILE BENEFITS COUNSELOR** 

\*Position available come *August 2025*\* Full Time: 35hrs / week. Paid bi-weekly.

Usual work schedule: Monday through Friday, 9am-5pm

Flex time – occasional early evening workshops or tabling events on weekends.

**JOB SUMMARY:** Provides benefits advisement to individuals with disabilities who are re-entering the job market. Familiarity with Social Security and DSS regulations and knowledge in SSI, SSDI, PASS Plans, Medicare Parts A, B, D and all Medicaid programs.

#### REPORTS TO: PROGRAM PERFORMANCE MANAGER

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

- Assists in application processes for consumers with mental health disabilities.
- Participates in committees and conducts classes, workshops and trainings throughout Dutchess County.
- Provides in-house staff and affiliate agencies with current laws/regulations pertaining to SSI, SSDI, and other benefit programs to assist consumers.
- Attends planning meetings, in-service trainings, public forums, scheduled Job Placement Consortium meetings and other relevant meetings.
- Completes monthly, quarterly, and annual data reports along with necessary surveys.
- Maintains open pathways of communication with local SSA/DSS offices and other affiliate agencies.
- Is regularly scheduled at affiliate agency locations to offer benefits advisement to consumers.
- Utilizes web-based communication platforms, such as Zoom and Microsoft Teams to connect with consumers.
- Enters all pertinent information into CIL and related databases in a timely manner.
- Performs other duties and projects assigned by supervisors. Some of these activities may be in the
  evenings or on weekends.

## Qualifications:

- Must be familiar with Social Security and DSS regulations and be knowledgeable in SSI, SSDI, PASS Plans, Medicare Parts A, B, D and all Medicaid programs.
- Knowledge of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Lived experience with a disability that allows for relatable understanding of challenges faced by individuals with similar experiences.
- Ability to travel independently.

#### **Benefits:**

- Generous vacation time.
- Paid holidays.
- Personal time.
- Sick time.
- NO COST SHARE health insurance.
- Dental insurance.
- Vision insurance.
- Life insurance.
- Hybrid work schedule available.
- 403 B.
- On the job training and \*continuing education in the field of work (Marist).

# To be considered, please submit a cover letter and resume directly to:

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No phone calls, please.

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