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Maine EMS Opportunity Announcement - Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Care Ambassador Program

The Maine EMS SUD program team is launching another round of the SUDCare Ambassador program, set to run from April 7th, 2025 to August 30th, 2025. The Maine EMS SUD Response Program team is seeking nine licensed active EMS clinicians throughout the state of Maine who share a passion for making a difference in substance use disorder response, reducing stigma and bias surrounding substance use, and current and upcoming SUD Response programming. Ambassadors will work closely with the Maine EMS SUD Response team, and will be compensated for their outreach work with a stipend of \$4,387.50.

What the Maine EMS SUD Response team is looking for in a Care Ambassador candidate:

1. At least two years of EMS experience
2. An active EMS licensure at the EMT level or higher
3. Strong communication skills
4. Interest in/ dedication to the cause of SUD response and education in EMS

Care Ambassadors will be expected to perform the following activities:

1. Attend a one-day virtual training to prepare to perform outreach and education duties (date to be determined depending on participant availability).
2. Make outreach calls to EMS agencies in designated geographic area weekly to offer educational discussions and trainings to interested departments.
3. Provide educational discussions and/or trainings utilizing the material provided at the training days to departments who agree to engage with Care Ambassadors.
4. Obtain a roster at each department for clinicians who attended the training/discussion and send to the Maine EMS SUD Response team.
5. Facilitate the completion of the OPTIONS Referral Program educational module on MEMSEd for departments that receive trainings.
6. Complete outreach and activity logs in SharePoint on a weekly basis, to be reviewed by Maine SUD Response team and discussed at bi-weekly Connect Meetings.
7. Attend Care Ambassador Connect Meetings (VIRTUAL) on a bi-weekly basis as scheduled in program timeline and be prepared to discuss the following:
 1. The number of EMS agencies contacted for the period since the previous Connect Meeting.
 2. The number of EMS clinicians that attended training in the period since the previous Connect Meeting.
 3. Barriers to and successes with each agency outreach – this includes agency name, contact person, and notes regarding the call.
 4. Feedback from agencies/ clinicians regarding SUD programming, experience responding to calls involving individuals who use substances, experiences with compassion fatigue, etc.
8. Advocate for Maine EMS SUD Response programming and provide insight into programs.

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If you would like to apply to be a Maine EMS SUD Care Ambassador, please complete the application at this link below:

Application Deadline: March 1st, 2025

Virtual interviews will be scheduled with each interested individual after the closure of the application.

Applications can be filled out at the following link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=q6g_QX0gYkubzeojy-GTiAnEQ-U75ZHue0w--xONJRUMjhSWVNOU0JYSUIQNFhISUNWN1gwTjNLNC4u

*Liability insurance will be required to be contracted through Maine EMS as a Care Ambassador

For questions regarding the Maine EMS SUD Care Ambassador Program, please contact:
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