Community Partnerships has an opportunity for a skilled advocate to join our team. Community Partnerships provides community-based programming for children, adolescents, young adults and families with mental health and other human service needs. This position will work across all of Community Partnerships' programs, with the majority of the focus being on the Children Come First program.

Job Title: Family and Consumer Advocate

- **Qualifications:** Minimum High School diploma
 - Ability to effectively engage with families and consumers and collaborate with multiple systems
 - Demonstrated written and verbal communication skills
 - Demonstrated organizational skills and ability to work independently
 - Experience working with others from diverse cultural backgrounds and commitment to cultural competency
 - Demonstrated computer proficiency

- **Preferences:** Associate's or Bachelor's Degree preferred in human services, psychology, or closely related field
 - At least 2 years relevant experience working as an advocate in human services delivery systems
 - Knowledge of children and adult mental health systems
 - Lived experience as a consumer, or parent of a consumer of mental health or human services

- Job Duties: Partner with families and consumers to provide supportive services that are trauma-informed, culturally relevant, and non-stigmatizing.
 - Assist individuals and families with identifying and establishing natural and professional supports in the community. Advocate for families within the community to address barriers to services.
 - Establish and organize family events, facilitate support groups and networking activities.
 - Remain current on the array of community resources and how to access them.
 - Provide information about educational opportunities regarding children's mental health, child welfare, juvenile justice and related issues.
 - Develop and maintain opportunities for "parents supporting parents" and peer support for adults.
 - Recruit and provide brief orientation for consumers participating in internal agency meetings and committees.
 - Perform regular data collection tasks specific to family and consumer programming.

Work Hours: 20-40 hours per week, depending on candidate.

To Apply: Send completed **application**, **cover letter and resume to**:

Attn: Human Resources Community Partnerships, Inc. 1334 Dewey Court Madison, WI 53703

Alternatively, fax to (608) 250-6637 or e-mail to hr@commpart.org

- Application Form available at <u>www.community-partnerships.org</u>. Application packet **must be complete** to be considered.
- Position will remain open until filled.
- Criminal background check is required for employment.
- Valid Wisconsin Driver License, automobile insurance according to agency guidelines, and reliable transportation required.

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