

POSITION: ONLINE CRISIS COUNSELOR

DATE: August 2017
PROGRAM: Behavioral Health/Crisis Services
REPORTS TO: Crisis Services Sr. Program Manager
STATUS: Full Time/Non Exempt
LOCATION: Everett, WA

Crisis Chat is a behavioral health service of Care Crisis Response Services. The crisis chat network is the first service of its kind where crisis centers across the United States have joined together to collaborate in creating best practices for providing online emotional support, crisis intervention, and suicide prevention services.

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

- Primary responsibility is to answer online crisis chats that originate from the Lifeline chat portal and imhurting.org
- Provide non-judgmental, emotional support by utilizing a crisis intervention model (RIDES) as well as suicide prevention techniques as appropriate during an online exchange with a Chat Visitor who is in a self-defined crisis
- Provide support to volunteer counselors and perform active rescue procedures as needed

QUALIFICATIONS:

- AA Degree in Human Services, Behavioral Science or a related field. Bachelor's Degree preferred
- One (1) year experience in a mental health position
- Washington state credentialing required upon hire
- Crisis intervention experience strongly preferred
- Training in suicide prevention and intervention strongly preferred
- Excellent computer skills including the ability to type quickly with few errors and be comfortable utilizing technology to provide online support
- Strong writing skills with proven ability to communicate effectively through written communications and instant messaging
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Ability to work cooperatively as a clinical team member
- Demonstrated respect for diversity
- Flexible with respect to scheduling. Weekends, holidays, evenings shifts are required

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Crisis Line/Triage Clinician