

**Position Description**  
**Montgomery Collaboration Council for Children, Youth and Families**

**Project Director, SAMHSA-funded Systems of Care Grant for  
Transitional-Age Youth**

Project Director has overall responsibility for the implementation and management of **“Bridges to the Future,”** a SAMHSA- funded System of Care Grant to the Montgomery County Department of Behavioral Health and the Montgomery County Collaboration Council for Children, Youth and Families. This grant will further develop the system of care to include comprehensive and integrated services for transitional-age youth and young adults ages 16-21 with serious mental health challenges and who are disconnected from school or employment. Through interagency collaboration **Bridges to the Future** will develop culturally and linguistically competent integrated services across agencies including high fidelity wraparound, trauma-focused treatment, and connections to school, employment skills and job training. The target population and their families will be further supported by youth and family partners from the Montgomery County Federation of Families.

**Responsibilities**

Project director with the support of the leadership team will have responsibility for the implementation of **Bridges to the Future**, including the organizational structure, services to be rendered, collections of program and system data, contracts and MOU’s generated, interagency collaboration between the project and public and private agencies, development of policies to ensure the project meets its proposed goals and all budget requirements of the grant.

The director working with key coordinators will ensure the operationalization of the principles which guide the system of care including cultural and linguistically competence and youth-driven and family-focused practices and services. The project director is responsible for the management of the day-to day activities, all budget supervision of lead staff, collaboration across agencies, identifies data to be collected, and submission of required reports to SAMHSA in a timely manner and ensuring that all local, state and federal regulations are followed.

Key to the director’s role in developing this system is the creation and management all proposed activities in the grant including creating and coordinating local, state and private sector partnerships, and recommending and creating policies that contribute to the sustainability of changes to the system incurred by the project. The project director will work with **Bridges to the Future** team members to develop a Strategic Plan that will ensure the adequacy of all data collection, and the implementation of the plan for sustainability. Finally, this individual will implement a social media campaign to ensure that messages are tailored to youth, young adults, their families and referral sources are informed through user-friendly methods.

The project director is supervised by the Executive Director of the Montgomery County Collaboration Council.

### **Position Requirements**

- Master's degree in behavioral health with 5 years experience in managing large behavioral health projects with transition aged youth (16-21) preferred.
- Demonstration of training in cultural competence and direct experience with populations' representative of the diversity of Montgomery County.

Travel required in the county and occasionally state and national for meetings or conferences  
Hours can include evening hours periodically to accommodate special activities.

### **Skills and Abilities**

- Understands the role of cultural competence in working with the target population, their families, providers, interagency boards and all aspects of project development
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Excellent writing, speaking, and leadership skills
- Flexible and able to manage a diverse staff
- Prefer individual who has worked with similar project and families with the values, goals and practices of the system of care

**How to Apply: Position is Open until Filled. Please direct letter of interest including salary requirements and resume to:**

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