JULIAN MERCER

SOCIAL WORKER

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Licensed Clinical Social Worker with 9+ years in hospital, community mental health, and child welfare settings. Assesses client needs, coordinates services, and builds safety plans that keep clients stable and connected to care.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Licensed Clinical Social Worker Jan 2021 - Present
NYC Health + Hospitals/Bellevue, New York, NY

- Carry a caseload of about 35 inpatient and outpatient clients, completing biopsychosocial assessments within 48 hours of referral.
- Arranged discharge services for 20 to 25 patients a month, and 30-day readmissions fell in the group followed by the social work team.
- Facilitate a weekly trauma support group with a psychiatrist and keep consistent attendance of 8 to 10 members.
- Supervise two MSW interns, giving weekly feedback on documentation and case formulation.
- Present complex cases at weekly interdisciplinary rounds with physicians, nurses, and psychiatry, advocating for client needs.
- Completed safety assessments for suicide risk and domestic violence using standard screening tools.
- Documented every contact in clinical notes within 24 hours, meeting hospital and state audit standards for chart review.

Clinical Social Worker Sep 2018 - Dec 2020
Henry Street Settlement, New York, NY

- Provided individual therapy for adults with depression and anxiety, tracking progress using PHQ-9 and GAD-7 scores.
- Connected families to housing, food, and benefits, helping about 60 households complete applications.
- Coordinated with Medicaid managed care plans to approve home care hours for clients leaving the hospital.

Child Protective Specialist Aug 2016 - Aug 2018
New York City Administration for Children's Services, New York, NY

- Investigated reports of child maltreatment within required timeframes and documented findings for family court.
- Developed safety plans with caregivers and community partners that allowed families to remain together when conditions permitted.
- Testified in family court and coordinated services with schools and medical providers.
- Completed home visits in six boroughs and documented conditions for supervisors the same day.
- Referred parents to parenting classes, substance use treatment, and mental health services, and followed up to confirm they enrolled.
- Carried 12 open investigations at a time while meeting the agency's mandated timelines.

CORE SKILLS

Biopsychosocial assessment | Crisis intervention | Discharge planning | Case management | Trauma-informed care | Cognitive behavioral therapy | Motivational interviewing | Safety planning | Community resource linkage | Clinical documentation | Group facilitation | Mandated reporting | Cultural humility

EDUCATION

Master of Social Work, Hunter College Silberman School of Social Work, New York, NY

CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), New York State | Mental Health First Aid | CPR/BLS for Healthcare Providers