

Adler Aphasia Center Position Description

Position: Communication Coach

Type of Position: Part time, 12 hours per week

Immediate Supervisor: Program Director, Adler Aphasia Center at Toms River

- I. **Statement of Purpose** – The purpose of this position is to implement speech programs to address the needs and interests of people with aphasia and their caregivers.
- II. **Educational Qualifications** – Master’s Degree in Speech Language Pathology.
- III. **Experience Qualifications** – Knowledge of aphasia, experience working with people with aphasia, knowledge of supported conversation techniques, experience in facilitating groups.
- IV. **Physical Qualifications** – Adequate speech, hearing and vision to facilitate groups. Must have own transportation to program site. Ability to use his/her hands to operate keyboards, telephones and other office equipment.
- V. **Personal Qualifications** – The Assistant Communication Coach will demonstrate initiative, sound judgment, dependability and creativity to provide a meaningful group experience. He/she must have strong interpersonal skill and have the ability to communicate clearly with people with aphasia as well as facilitate their ability to communicate. He/she must be skilled in managing group dynamics.
- VI. **Responsibilities** - The responsibilities of this position include (but are not limited to):
 - a. Develop plans for group sessions that focus on member interests and maximize member participation.
 - b. Implement intervention techniques that compensate for language impairment. Provide group leadership through structured discussions, focusing on improving initiation of conversation, turn-taking, clarification of ideas, development of life skills, utilization of multimodal strategies and other techniques to enhance communicative effectiveness.
 - c. Assist in technology and computer labs, keeping iPads charged and updated and providing support to volunteers and members.
 - d. Understand the organizational structure of the Adler Aphasia Center and implement its policies and procedures.

Also required: valid driver’s license, vehicle insurance and reliable means of transportation.

To apply, send resume and cover letter to humanresources@adleraphasiacenter.org
Application period will close on November 3, 2019. No phone calls please.