



Patients' Rights Advocate (30 hours)

California Office of Patients' Rights

Location: Remote (within California) or Hybrid (home office Sacramento)

Individuals who are Deaf or Disabled are encouraged to apply.

SALARY RANGE (Depending on Experience): \$27.47-\$40.23 hr

We base salary and position offers on experience and an internal equity analysis.

Employment Status: Non-Exempt; Regular; Part-time (30 hrs)

EXCELLENT BENEFITS including 8% 401k Match, a language differential up to \$250/mo. Health (HMO and PPO options), dental, vision, basic life insurance, short-term and long-term disability insurance and flexible spending accounts (medical, dependent care and commuter). Additionally, we offer ample vacation, sick/self care leave and eighteen paid holidays (including the last week in December) and more..... We are a Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) - eligible employer.

Application Deadline: *Open until filled.* Applications should be received by April 4, 2022 to be considered for the first round of interviews.

WHO WE ARE

Disability Rights California (DRC) defends, advances, and strengthens the rights and opportunities of people with disabilities.

DRC works for a world where all disabled people have power and are treated with dignity and respect. In this world, people with disabilities are supported, valued, included in their communities, afforded the same opportunities as people without disabilities, and make their own decisions.

DRC values all forms of human diversity. We are committed to a culture of belonging where all people are welcome. In order to be effective advocates for all people with disabilities, we must address discrimination in all its forms, including the unique challenges faced by people who experience the intersection of multiple systems of discrimination.

California Office of Patients' Rights (COPR)

COPR is contracted by the Department of State Hospitals and working with Department of Healthcare Services to ensure that the treatment and legal rights of people receiving mental health treatment are maintained.

PURPOSE OF THE JOB

The Patients' Rights Advocate (PRA) provides Technical Assistance and training supports to the county title 9 advocacy programs which include support to a list serve, intake from the county PRAs, assistance in writing informational notices and other related deliverables. . The PRA works under the direction of the Supervising Advocate Specialist assigned to the county program of COPR.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education and Experience

Bachelor's Degree in a related field. Four years direct life experience as a mental health consumer or four years' experience as a consumer advocate may be substituted in lieu of the Bachelor's Degree (i.e., social work, counseling, self-help).

- Two years' experience as a consumer advocate within the social, human service, government, or health care environment. (If using experience in lieu of Bachelor's degree, this qualification has been met).
- Working knowledge and understanding of the mental health and criminal justice systems.
- Experience utilizing Microsoft Word/Windows or comparable word processing program on a personal computer.
- Experience working with and a sensitivity to the rights of persons with disabilities.
- Experience working with and a sensitivity to persons from multi-ethnic communities.

Licenses / Certificates

This position has no licenses or certificates requirements.

Required to complete online training within 90 days of employment.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience in direct advocacy for persons with psychiatric disabilities.
- A working knowledge of the legal, civil and service rights of persons with psychiatric disabilities in California.
- Ability to speak Spanish or an Asian language, or American Sign Language (ASL).



- Experience with the mental health system as a current or former consumer/or with family member, significant other.
- Contacts with disability organizations and/or within disability communities.
- Contacts with multi-ethnic organizations and/or within multi-ethnic communities.

Working at DRC is more than just a job - it is a rare opportunity to do what you are good at while making a difference! DRC offers competitive salaries and a generous benefit package. To view the detailed job description and complete the application process [here](#).