

Mental Health Nursing Services offered at ViaQuest Day and Employment Services (VDES)



ViaQuest's Psychiatic and Behavioral Health Services (VPBS) offers a variety of nursing applications to assist in the psychiatric/medical needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Nursing services could include some mental health and medical assessments, education, taking vital signs and collaboration with other professionals. If an individual requires g-tube and/or has insulin needs, our nurses can provide training to Day Program staff if the individual qualifies. Nursing services can also provide oversite with Day Program staff including training of medication administration, and performance of DODD approved health-related activities.

All Mental Health Nursing Services through ViaQuest Psychiatric and Behavioral Health Solutions are billed to Medicaid and do not utilize waiver funding. This service will not interfere with any existing or future mental health or nursing services outside of the Day Program. A ViaQuest Nurse Practitioner will need to complete an initial evaluation at the start of any potential services to determine what level of nursing assistance may be indicated. Our nurses can also assist with setting up routine medication management appointments with a ViaQuest Nurse Practitioner if requested.

Mental Health Nurses will work with both Therapeutic Behavioral Support (TBS) staff and ViaQuest Day & Employment Services staff on how to best support the individuals. Our nurses are able to identify mental health signs/symptoms and address them. This will help meet the individuals' goals and reach their best possible healthcare outcomes.

Mental Health Nursing Areas of Service:

- Nursing Delegation- Training of Med Certified Employees
- Medication Administration Monitoring
- Education (I.e. Medication, Diagnosis) for Individuals, Staff and Families
- Take Vital Signs
- Communication Between Treatment Teams
- Advocacy. Client opportunity to speak to Nurse
- Assessment of Mental Health Symptoms
- May have Potential Days with On-site Nurse

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