

Mental Health Therapist Job Description

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

The Four Corners Child Advocacy Center's (FCCAC) Mental Health Therapist will provide counseling services to children, adolescents and periodic conjoint sessions with non-offending family members on-site, off-site, and via tele-therapy who have been direct or indirect victims of physical and/or sexual abuse, neglect, and/or who have witnessed family violence; including youth with problematic sexual behaviors.

This therapist must have a willingness to work with children with problematic sexual behaviors (PSB). The ideal applicant will have a motivation to be trained in this specialized area of trauma work if not already trained. FCCAC will fund this specialized training.

This is a 32-hour a week job with 10 hrs/wk focused on PSB, 12 hrs/wk on trauma-focused therapy and related duties, and 10 hrs/wk on administration tasks. The FCCAC offers a competitive wage starting at \$28/hr for a therapist who is in need of PSB training but the starting rate is higher for a candidate with PSB TF-CBT experience. The rate increases once training is complete. The FCCAC offers a competitive benefits package including health insurance, employee assistance program, paid time off, holidays, and opportunities for professional development.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provide both Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Problematic Sexual Behavior counseling services to children and adolescents
- Respond to Crisis situations and provide Crisis intervention clients and Caregivers
- Administer and interpret trauma assessments
- Attend Community Evaluation Team meetings
- Be an active member of the Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) by attending monthly Case Review meetings
- Attend Work related Trainings and Conferences required to meet the National Children's Alliance Standards
- Participate in Professional Development activities and keep up to date on CEU's related to the degree that you hold as required by DORA
- Maintain client data in VST Tracking system
- Coordinate outreach with the local tribal community
- Other advocacy services; including crisis intervention, information and referral, and follow-up.
- Facilitate group therapy sessions if, and when, appropriate.
- Attendance in Court when appropriate.
- Provide education to children, adults, and community partners.

This position listing is not meant to be a complete list of all duties for this position. The expectation of this position will be to perform all other duties as assigned by the Executive Director.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge and experience working with children and adolescents who have experienced trauma including child abuse and family violence, and trauma focused interventions
- Knowledge of or willingness to be trained in therapeutic approaches for problematic sexual behaviors and/or participate in trainings on the Problematic Sexual Behavior Therapy model
- Experience working with children and adolescents up to age 18 and adult caregivers
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with the FCCAC staff and MDT partners
- Comfortable with technology

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Completion of Master's degree in Counseling or related field with experience in therapy with trauma victims
- Licensed by appropriate state board and/or currently be under supervision to become licensed within one year of your start date (Supervision will not be provided by FCCAC)
- Two years' experience in providing therapy to children and/or adolescents

PREFERRED SKILLS

- Master's degree in a mental health discipline.
- Licensed to provide mental health treatment in the State of Colorado.
- Understanding and utilization of Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) or another evidence based therapeutic model related to trauma services.
- Knowledge of and experience with the multidisciplinary approach and Children's Advocacy Centers.
- Be able to give diagnoses
- Knowledge of and experience with evidence-based practices.
- Bilingual skills are a plus