



TRAUMA THERAPIST Job Description

Position: Trauma Therapist

Term: Full-time, Exempt

Hours: 40 hours per week, working two evenings until 6 PM

Start Date: June 1, 2019

DESCRIPTION

Under the direct supervision of the CAC Program Director, the Traverse Bay Children's Advocacy Center (TBCAC) seeks a full-time masters level Trauma Therapist to join its intervention staff in responding to child victims of sexual abuse, physical abuse, and violence. The TBCAC adopts a multi-generational treatment perspective, making family therapy and caregiver support an integral component of its therapeutic approach. Experience with child, adolescent, and adult therapy is required.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Counseling Services

- Set up appointments for initial assessment with non-offending caregivers; provide caregiver with appropriate paperwork
- Meet with caregiver to obtain family history and signed releases
- Make appropriate recommendations for either crisis counseling or provide written referral contact information
- Follow-up with those who were referred to ensure clients received services and ascertain their feelings regarding those services
- For those appropriate for counseling onsite, provide counseling sessions for both primary and secondary child victims, as well as non-offending caregivers
- Complete appropriate assessment tools for clients as required for accreditation
- Complete progress notes, treatment plans and other clinical documentation as determined by the agency
- Complete ongoing training to remain current on best practices for sexual and physically abused children and their families
- Record any client related contacts in the clinical activity log or database

Immediate Crisis Intervention

- When appropriate, participate in pre/post forensic interview meetings with non-offending caregivers; provide crisis intervention when necessary
- When appropriate, observe forensic interviews and provide initial assessment of the child victim and family treatment needs
- Schedule initial intake appointment for onsite counseling services or provide referral information to therapist already working with the client

Other Duties

- Provide training and supervision to masters level intern volunteers
- Monthly travel to case review meetings in seven jurisdictions
- Travel to provide clinical services at satellite locations as needed
- Attend staff meetings and participate in staff functions
- As requested by the CAC Program Director

Required Qualifications

- Master's degree in social work, counseling or related field
- Currently licensed (LPC or LMSW)
- Must maintain all licenses and credentials
- Certification in trauma-informed therapy services, such as Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy or Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing
- Demonstrated experience with child, adolescent, and adult therapy
- Knowledge of crisis interventions, sexual abuse dynamics, child development, and support group leadership skills

Desired Qualifications

- Capacity for empathy
- Clear personal boundaries
- Adept at building positive relationships
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Flexibility

Compensation

- Competitive salary, available upon inquiry
- Individual healthcare coverage
- Simple IRA with up to 3% match
- Earned Time Off
- Paid Holidays

TO APPLY

Send letter of interest and resume to Amelia Siders, PhD, CAC Program Director, at asiders@traversebaycac.org.

Application Deadline: Ongoing until filled.

Traverse Bay Children's Advocacy Center is a regional response center for the protection and wellbeing of children located in Traverse City, Michigan. Its mission is to bring justice, hope and healing to children and families harmed by sexual abuse, physical abuse, and violence, and to create communities within which all children are safe. **traversebaycac.org**