



Outpatient Therapist

Want to join one of South Texas' premier child welfare agencies in "restoring innocence and strengthening families?" The Children's Shelter is waiting for you! Since 1901, The Children's Shelter has touched countless lives and every year, serves over 4,000 children and parents. Become part of a growing team providing high-quality, trauma-informed care for children and families.

The Children's Hope Center therapist provides trauma-focused evidence-based treatment to children, youth, and families exposed to various kinds of traumatic events. Treatment services include assessment of trauma, crisis intervention, individual, group, and family therapy, family advocacy and safety planning.

Responsibilities Include:

- Provides diagnostic assessment, and treatment services, including individual and group counseling sessions for the children in care using one or more evidence-based treatment models, including Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT), Trust-Based Relational Interventions (TBRI), and Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT).
- Writes assessment reports, treatment plans, and reviews treatment plans for assigned cases in accordance with acceptable clinical standards.
- Responsible for formulating, implementing and documenting treatment strategies for clients and their families on their assigned caseload in a timely manner.
- Maintains client records in accordance with applicable standards to include Council on Accreditation and agency standards.
- Coordinates needed psychiatric referrals for assigned children.
- Functions as member of Hope Center clinical team, coordinating services with social workers, Medical Director, psychiatric residents, and administrative staff.
- Carries a full clinical case load of clients and meets assigned target of billable hours per week.
- Submits monthly therapy billing statements to the Chief Clinical Officer and Office Coordinator by the third working day of each month for review.
- Responsible for monitoring approved third party sessions and requesting in timely manner additional sessions if appropriate before the approved sessions expire.
- Facilitates and maintains appropriate communications and relationships between the Hope Center clinical team, other agency program staff, professionals and consumer groups in the community.
- Reports all reportable incidents, clinical emergencies, and incidents requiring outside intervention to the Clinical Director.
- Participates in weekly face-to-face clinical supervision sessions with the Clinical Director and monthly group supervision to review cases and discuss treatment interventions.
- Participates, as a member of the center's interdisciplinary treatment team, in monthly clinical staffing with the psychiatric team, to review client progress, current treatment strategies, medication management, and other case-related information.
- Participates in clinical on-call rotation.

Requirements:

- The applicant is required to have a clinical license, LPC, LCSW, LMFT or PhD. and be eligible to bill Medicaid and IMHS.
- Required to be trained in Trauma Focused-Cognitive Behavioral Therapy.
- Minimum three years clinical experience in community mental health with emphasis on underserved and at-risk children and adolescents. Preferred experience working with foster care, child welfare, court system and poor families in community mental health settings.
- Computer literate with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and Microsoft Outlook
- Be in "good standing" with their professional licensing board
- Familiar with substitute care for children and working with TDFPS staff.
- Ability to write clearly, accurately, and descriptively, using appropriate vocabulary, grammar, and language.
- Skilled in organizing work in a responsible way in an environment with multiple challenges and priorities.

- Demonstrated ability working with multi-cultural populations, particularly Latino. Knowledge and awareness of issues of race, class, ethnicity, sexual orientation, and gender identity is important.
- Clinical training and experience providing trauma-informed treatments to clients and families with complex trauma and attachment difficulties related to abuse, neglect, interpersonal and community violence, and foster care placement.
- Has a working knowledge of Minimum Standards and Youth For Tomorrow requirements for therapeutic services.

The Children's Shelter is an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to a culturally diverse workplace and offering a competitive pay and benefits package.

You can apply on-line by visiting our website www.chshel.org or in person at:

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