

Description Child therapist/School based

Job Summary:

Under supervisory direction, assesses, diagnoses, counsels, and provides psychotherapeutic treatment, rehabilitation, and care coordination for behaviorally and emotionally disturbed children and adolescents as it is medically necessary; provides educational and consultation services to other staff, school staff; and performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

- Minimum Bachelor's Degree from an accredited University or College in the field of Counseling, Marriage and Family Therapy or Social Work.
- Licensed in the State of Ohio to provide mental health services (LPC, LSW, MFT, LPCC, LISW, IMFT)
- Demonstrated experience in the treatment of children, adolescents, adults and families individually and in group modality.
- Ability to reasonably problem-solve complex and possible crisis mental health client problems.
- Ability to develop and write clear, concise documents involving client outcome reporting requirements.
- Effective time management and interviewing skills.
- Acceptance and dedication toward the Mission of Town Hall II.
- Possession of a valid Ohio driver's license.

Essential Functions and Duties:

1. Interviews potential clients to assess the need for direct mental health treatment of mental and emotional disorders or referral elsewhere; provides comprehensive medically necessary and psychotherapeutic services for individuals or members of a family to assist them in achieving productive social adjustments, reducing the impact of disabling disorders, and facilitating their achievement of living, vocational, recreational, and interpersonal goals through the modalities of individual, family, group counseling and through collateral/significant other contacts.
2. Diagnostically assesses, formulates and completes the client's Treatment Plan inclusive of diagnosis, goals, and appropriate signatures within 30 days or the first 2 sessions from initial client contact, whichever is shorter. All Treatment Plan updates must be completed within the OHMAS rule timeframe.
3. Completes and submits into the clients ICR all professional documentation no later than 48 hours from all client contact. Compensation is conditional upon the timely completion of all professional documentation as stated in Agency Policy and Procedures.
4. Shares and receives appropriate information with the teachers, guidance counselors and administrative staff to assist in a collaborative effort with clients in the assigned buildings. Release of information forms must be signed by the parent / guardian prior to exchanging confidential information.

5. Educates clients and their families regarding their diagnosis, prognosis, treatment, and therapeutic process.
6. Works cooperatively with teachers, guidance counselors, and administrative staff within their assigned buildings including, but not limited to, relaying appropriate information to and from school facilities, assessing needs of additional staff, and coordinating services within the building.
7. Identifies, recommends, networks and/or utilizes community resources to facilitate the highest possible mental health functioning of all assigned clients. Involvement in home visits may be necessary to assure continuity of clinical care.
8. Adheres to the agency's personnel policies and procedures, OHMAS, COA, Medicaid and Insurance standards, and fulfill documentation and reporting requirements. Workers will be responsible to submit completed clinical documents into the Electronic Health Record to be processed into the Individualized Client Records.
9. Participates in quality assurance and program evaluation studies.
10. Attends and participates in scheduled or required training, staff meetings, peer review, workshops and supervision.
11. Maintains at least their current or the minimum required Ohio licensure status as a qualified OHMAS service provider. All CEU certificates obtained during employment with PCS must be copied for entry into their personnel file.

Skills, Knowledge, and Abilities

- Working knowledge of assessment, diagnosis, prognosis, counseling, and psychotherapeutic treatment of marriage, family, and child relationship dysfunctions;
- methods of developing and implementing a treatment plan;
- current trends in the field of mental health; laws and regulations applicable to mental health;
- Ability to perform effective counseling and psychotherapy with individuals, families, and groups; develop and maintain cooperative relationships with clients' families, members of other professional disciplines, social agencies, and co-workers;
- relate professionally with persons with mental disorders;
- identify and utilize community resources;
- advise and train other mental health staff;
- prepare and present clear and concise oral and written reports.

Physical Demands:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this position. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions in accordance to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act (ADAA) of 2008.

While performing this job, the employee is regularly required to sit, talk and hear. This job requires filing, opening and closing of file cabinets, and the ability to bend and/or stand as

necessary. This job is frequently required to use hands; handle, feel and reach with hands and arms; and may occasionally lift and/or move files and other related materials up to 20 pounds. The position requires regular use of a computer, calculator and telephone.

Work Environment:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

This job operates in a professional office environment. This role routinely uses standard office equipment such as computers, phones, photocopiers, filing cabinets and fax machines.