



POSITION DESCRIPTION: FULL-TIME CLINICIAN; SCHOOL, OFFICE-BASED, AND CAMP PROGRAMS

The Wendt Center for Loss and Healing, a non-profit, outpatient mental health center specializing in bereavement and trauma, is currently seeking an experienced, licensed clinician to join our team.

STATUS: Full-time, exempt

REPORTS TO: Resilient Scholars Project Director and Director of Clinical Services

PRIMARY FUNCTION:

Provide mental health services in a variety of settings to include school, community partner sites, our SE or NW office, and our annual grief camp. During the academic year, 60% of time will be focused on implementing Resilient Scholars Project (RSP) bereavement-focused clinical services at assigned school and community partner sites to children/adolescents. The other 40% of time will be providing direct mental health services to diverse child and adult clients assigned through the Counseling Program's general intake process at our Anacostia office located in Southeast Washington, DC, or our Van Ness office located in Northwest Washington, DC. In addition to the office-based work, summers will be spent providing group therapy to children/adolescents in the Southeast office as well as assisting with the Center's annual grief camp, Camp Forget-Me-Not/Camp Erin DC, and facilitating a bereavement-focused therapeutic family event.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Understands and upholds the Center's philosophy and mission and abides by the Personnel Handbook and Clinical Manual guidelines.
- Maintains strict confidentiality.
- Implements bereavement-focused clinical services to children/adolescents referred to RSP for death-related losses and symptoms of depression.
 - Conducts pre-/post-assessments with referred children/adolescents.
 - Provides weekly group or individual therapy services to assigned children and adolescents at school and community partner locales utilizing appropriate theoretical approaches.
 - Follows RSP grief curriculum while adjusting to participants' needs and incorporating own clinical style and specializations.
 - Utilizes movement, art, play, drama, music and/or games to express and enhance clinical themes and social and emotional skills.
 - Provides coaching/psychoeducation to parents/caregivers of all assigned RSP participants on grief and loss.
 - Makes referrals to appropriate internal and external resources.
 - Provides individual case consultation and crisis support to school and community partner staff on grief and loss.

- Provides short and long-term counseling services to children and adults at the Wendt Center's Southeast or Northwest office as assigned by the Intake Coordinator.
 - Completes a clinical assessment, treatment plan and diagnosis, within a week of a client's initial session.
 - Maintains updated, current client schedule in on-line system.
- Facilitates group therapy for children/adolescents in the Center's Southeast office over the summer months.
- Assists with Camp Forget-Me-Not/Camp Erin DC.
 - Facilitates sessions to prepare parents/caregivers for Camp and to support their children/adolescents upon their return from Camp.
- Develops and spearheads a bereavement-focused therapeutic family event during the summer months.
- Provides timely and accurate documentation in the agency electronic health records (Apricot and InSync).
- Provides information and data as needed for grant reports.
- Participates in regular supervision, program, and staff meetings.
- Travels locally by car to/from multiple school and community partner locales in DC.
- Works one evening per week.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- **DC Mental Health License Required –LICSW, LPC, LGSW or LGPC Only.**
Independent licensure preferred (LPC or LICSW).
- Experience working with urban and minority youth populations with exposure to grief and loss.
- Knowledge of bereavement sensitive approaches.
- Knowledge of child development.
- Experience facilitating child and adolescent therapy groups.
- Experience in a non-profit setting preferred.
- Fluency in Spanish a plus.
- Car required for ongoing local travel.
- Ability to work one evening per week.

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS:

Competitive salary commensurate with experience and licensure level; benefits include paid holiday, vacation and sick time; flexible schedule; 403b; health insurance; life insurance; transportation benefit and ongoing continuing education.

TO APPLY:

Send resume and cover letter with job title as the subject to hr@wendtcenter.org. No phone calls please.

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