

Childhood Matters: Systemic Family Therapist **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/109111>)**



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(HSE Grade Code Equivalent 3959)

Closing Date Wednesday 10th July 2024 by 5pm

Proposed Interview Date (s) Monday, 22nd July 2024

Location of Post You will be employed with Childhood Matters. The post is predominantly based in Blackrock, Cork City but may include travel across the county.

Website www.childhood-matters.ie (<http://www.childhood-matters.ie>)

Details of Service

Childhood Matters provides professional, multidisciplinary mental health and social care services to children on the edge of care as well as children in care and their carers. The proposed role will involve a mix of clinic based and community working within a multidisciplinary context.

Reporting Relationship Clinical reporting relationship to Service Manager.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

The Systemic Family Therapist will:

Clinical

- Be responsible for the delivery of Family Therapy services appropriate to working with children involved with Tusla
- Work within limits of professional competence in line with principles of best practice professional conduct and clinical governance.
- Conduct assessments and individual families who are clients of the service
- Establish appropriate Family Therapy contracts with clients
- Maintain assigned clinical caseload.
- Ensure clinical practice is fully compliant with Children First Legislation
- Carry out psycho-educational and mental health promotion activities as appropriate.
- Inform facilitate and refer clients as appropriate in accessing healthcare and support services
- Inform clients about legal and psycho-social implications of attending the Family Therapy Service.
- Promptly bring clinical governance issues such as risk, child protection etc. to the attention of management
- Participate in clinical administration duties as required
- Work as a member of an Multidisciplinary Team
- Provide case management supervision if required
- To liaise with other health, social care and community based services to advocate for service user needs to be met within their care plan.
- Prepare reports as required

- Engage in clinical audit, quality initiatives and service research and evaluation
- Provide a Family Therapy service across the geographical work area as required.
- Foster an understanding of the role and contribution of family therapy by providing professional consultation, education, guidance and support to others as appropriate
- Communicate effectively and work in co-operation with other team members and agencies to ensure Multidisciplinary Team service provision
- Contribute to, promote and safeguard the good reputation of the service
- Attend meetings/case-conferences as required
- Participate in service related working groups/sub-groups as required
- Work in an ethical and professional manner at all times
- Promote a culture that values equality, diversity and respect in the workplace
- *To Support the multidisciplinary assessment of individuals and families when required.*
- *To support the growth of a systemic perspective within the agency*
- *To adhere to the protocols and procedures established for the Family Therapy Service*
- *To attend, as and when required at designated centres of the service*
- *To obtain regular supervision of work undertaken from a registered systemic supervisor.*

Administrative

- Maintain appropriate client records, databases and statistics
- Ensure practice is fully compliant with the requirements of The Freedom of Information Act, Data Protection Acts and other relevant legislation
- Provide statistical returns and additional data as required to support the effective administration and evaluation of the service
- Maintain compliance with statutory registration requirements and/or ongoing accreditation requirements of professional bodies
- Actively participate in development and continuing improvement initiatives of the service in liaison with the service manager / relevant others
- Contribute to policy development, performance monitoring, business proposals and service planning in conjunction with the service manager/relevant others
- Contribute to the development and implementation of information sharing protocols, audit systems, referral pathways and integrated care arrangements.
- Assist in ensuring that the service makes the most efficient and effective use of developments in Information and Communications Technology
- Keep up to date with organisational developments within Childhood Matters
- To support, promote and actively participate in sustainable energy, water and waste initiatives to create a more sustainable, low carbon and efficient health service.

Management and Leadership

- To participate when appropriate in an area of special clinical interest, clinical group of relevance to the service.
- Initiate and participate in evaluating systemic approaches within particular areas of the service, so that the effects go beyond individual cases and improves the effective running of the service for service users and families
- To facilitate the training of trainee Systemic Family Therapy students and trainees from other disciplines.
- To participate in the formulation and implementation of clinical and operational practices and procedures as appropriate.

Education & Training

- Engage in regular case-management and managerial supervision with designated Clinical Supervisor
- Actively participate in peer supervision with Family Therapy colleagues as appropriate
- Attend mandatory training programmes
- Take responsibility for being informed of advances in professional knowledge and practice
- Participate in continuous professional development initiatives

To perform other duties, appropriate to the office, as may be assigned.

Please see full job Description attached below.

To Apply

Please send a cover letter and CV to hr@childhood-matters.ie (mailto:hr@childhood-matters.ie) by 5pm on 10th of July 2024.

Region

Blackrock, Cork City

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