

## **Contract Employment Opportunity with Thrive Child and Youth Trauma Services**

### **Sexual Abuse Assessment and Treatment (SAAT) Program**

#### **Children's Mental Health Counsellor (Trauma Specialist)**

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Thrive Child and Youth Trauma Services in Hamilton is looking for a qualified clinician to provide sexual abuse, sexualized behaviour and/or trauma assessment and counselling services to children and youth up to age 18. The incumbent is expected to work 3 days per week and carry a case load of 12. This is a 12 month part-time contract employment opportunity backfilling a maternity leave. The contract will commence on or after October 2, 2017.

#### **1. Duties and Responsibilities for Children's Mental Health Counsellor**

- Conduct complex trauma assessments, related to sexual abuse, concerning sexualized behaviour and intra-familial sexual abuse.
- Complete comprehensive written reports
- Ensure best practice in the delivery of counselling services
- Utilize assessment, treatment/counselling, education and support strategies and techniques that reflect best practice in the field.
- Utilize peer and supervisor input to support children/youth/ family treatment and healing
- Collaborate and work cooperatively with collateral agencies in the delivery and provision of services
- Act as a resource to the program as required, e.g., providing consultation, input, recommendations.
- Work cooperatively with a highly skilled team to ensure excellence in service
- Participate in program evaluation, planning and development

## 2. Qualifications/Requirements:

- Post graduate degree in psychology, social work or related field
- Membership in a Regulated College or professional organization
- Proof of professional liability insurance
- Criminal Reference Check -Vulnerable Sector Screening satisfactory to THRIVE
- Minimum 5 years' experience in providing mental health counselling to children and families
- Training and/or Experience working with trauma and sexual abuse/concerning sexualized behaviours
- Ability to work independently and as a team player
- Excellent written and verbal communication, problem solving, advocacy and crisis management skills
- Commitment to working within an anti-racism/anti oppression framework
- Fluency in language other than English definitely an asset
- Available to work flexible hours to meet client needs

Please submit letter of interest, resume and salary expectations to:

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Closing date for applications: August 11, 2017 at 5 p.m.

*Thrive Child and Youth Trauma Services is committed to equity in employment. Applications from qualified members of designated groups are encouraged.*