



Job Description: Play & Creative Arts Therapist

Reporting to: Head of Therapy

This is a self-employed role.

Successful applicants must be registered as self-employed with HMRC.

Context of Role

To deliver one-to-one Play & Creative Arts Therapy sessions to children in schools on behalf of Clear Sky Children's Charity.

Rates of Pay

- £45-70 per therapy session and £100 paid on completion of end of therapy report.
- Therapists are required to give a minimum of 2 days per week to the role (8 clients per week approx.)

Key Accountabilities

- To deliver weekly Play & Creative Arts Therapy sessions to children as directed by Clear Sky.
- To meet with parents and carers at different times within the therapeutic process to engage and keep them updated on progress.
- To liaise with and work in partnership with school staff and other agencies in order to provide effective multi agency working.
- To attend meetings related to a child where possible.
- To write a report for the school on the progress made at the end of therapy for each child.
- To follow all the relevant policies and procedures provided by Clear Sky.

- To complete administrative tasks in relation to clients seen through Clear Sky using the company's online encrypted database.
- To familiarise self with the general risk assessment for therapeutic work, and complete individual risk assessments where appropriate.
- To contribute to Health & Safety working practices in the workplace by reporting any accidents or injuries.
- To be responsible for safeguarding the children in your care during therapy sessions, and to report any matters of concern by following relevant procedure.
- To represent Clear Sky in a positive and professional manner and promote Clear Sky's Services.
- To attend a minimum of 1.5 hours of clinical supervision per month at your own expense (dependant on caseload).
- To attend training sessions and team meetings as required by Clear Sky.

Skills and Experience

- Completion of a recognised and accredited Play and/or Creative Arts Therapy Training Course at Post Graduate Diploma level or above (e.g. Play Therapy, Dramatherapy, Dance and Movement Therapy, Art Therapy etc.)
- Completed at least 200 hours of supervised clinical work with children and young people.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- A positive and 'can-do' outlook.
- Empathy and an open and friendly manner.
- A flexible and motivated approach to work.
- The ability to work with difficult behaviour or facts, without making judgements.
- A good understanding of issues surrounding confidentiality.
- The ability to work alone and in a team.
- Ability to reflect on practice and learn from experience.
- Current driving licence for travel.

- Experience of interagency working.
- Experience of working in schools.
- Experience of working in challenging situations.
- Experiences of working with parents/families.
- Ability to write meaningful reports.
- Ability to use supervision and personal therapy as a tool for self-development.

Essential Requirements

- Membership to an appropriate governing body (PTUK, BAPT, BACP, BADth, HCPC etc.)
- Proof of self-employed status
- Safeguarding training up to Level 3 Advanced and Prevent
- Public liability insurance
- ICO Registration or proof of exemption for GDPR.
- DBS check completed on engagement by Clear Sky.
- Must provide their own therapeutic toolkit to undertake the work.
- Own arrangements for clinical supervision.
 - Self-employed Therapists must provide Clear Sky with details of their clinical supervisor on engagement.
 - Signed three-way agreement for supervision to be signed upon engagement.
- Must be able to travel to schools in Oxfordshire.

Complementary skills

Whilst not essential for this role, if you have any of the following skills and experience, we would love to know about them.

- deliver group Play & Creative Arts Therapy sessions
- deliver workshops and assemblies in schools
- deliver training to school staff

- deliver training to other professionals
- Qualified supervisor

To apply please complete application form and email it to info@clear-sky.org.uk