

Job Description | Play & Creative Arts Therapist

Purpose of Role

- To deliver one-to-one Play & Creative Arts Therapy sessions to children in schools on behalf of Clear Sky Children's Charity.
- Opportunities to train up to deliver Playful Parents Programme on behalf of Clear Sky, as well as training to deliver Parent Child Attachment Play sessions to support parents.

Rates of Pay

- £35 per therapy session and £30 per end of therapy report. Self employed position.

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 system.
- 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.
- To attend 1.5 hours of clinical supervision per month.
- 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 license 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, HCPC etc.)
- Safeguarding training.
- Public liability insurance.
- DBS check completed on engagement by Clear Sky.
- Therapist 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.