

## BILINGUAL CHILD AND ADOLESCENT THERAPIST

**Supervisor** Clinical Services Director  
**FLSA Status** Full-time, exempt

### Summary

Safe Shores – The D.C. Children’s Advocacy Center is an organization striving for excellence as a service provider and as a workplace. Safe Shores values respect, honesty, trustworthiness, professionalism, growth and learning, taking care to give care, innovation, teamwork and collaboration. We are seeking a highly skilled, experienced, respected and resourceful mental health professional who can work well as a member of our team and is passionate about developing and implementing innovative, effective solutions to help children and families heal.

The Child and Adolescent Therapist is responsible for providing therapeutic services to help children and caregivers cope with and recover from experiences of child sexual or physical abuse or exposure to other violent crime. This position is required to participate in the on-call rotation for after hours and weekend clinical crisis intervention services. This position is a mandated reporter for child abuse and neglect under District of Columbia Statute § 4-1321.02

### Essential Qualifications

- Master’s or Doctorate Degree (from accredited institution) in psychology, social work, or related field; clinical licensure in the District of Columbia
- Oral and written Spanish fluency
- Academic or post-graduate training in trauma-focused interventions
- Ability to communicate effectively in writing and orally to a variety of individuals and groups
- Ability to communicate effectively with children and adolescents, ranging in age from 4 to 17 years of age
- Familiarity with and a disposition toward the multi-disciplinary team approach to the investigation and prosecution of child abuse cases
- Demonstrated knowledge with different theoretical and intervention models including developmental theories, attachment theories, crisis intervention theories, the dynamics of intra-and extra-familial child abuse, and the DSM V
- Superb interpersonal skills; high level of cultural awareness
- Superior organizational skills and attention to detail; ability to work independently
- Ability to successfully pass Child Protection Registry clearance and criminal background check

### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Academic or post-graduate training in trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- Experience working in a Children’s Advocacy Center setting
- Knowledge of investigative, social services and legal system in the District of Columbia a plus.
- Comfort with technology and proficiency with MS Office applications and the internet

### **Primary Areas of Responsibility**

- Conduct psycho-social assessments with children, adolescents, and parents to identify strengths, needs, and appropriate interventions
- Conduct therapeutic sessions with children and adolescents; develop case goals and document progress
- Maintain and assure quality and confidentiality of electronic and paper files and statistical tracking
- Participate in individual clinical supervision and case review, program peer review, and in-service trainings
- Provide non-offending family members with clinical consultation, parent education, and therapeutic referrals
- Respond to crisis situations with clients
- Participate in on-going training and professional development activities including individual supervision and peer review

### **Other Duties Include:**

- Share appropriate information with MDT partners; collaborate with team members in planning care for children/adolescents and arrange services
- Consult with members of the multi-disciplinary team as requested or as deemed necessary
- Participate in MDT and organization-wide planning efforts
- Other duties may be assigned

### **Candidates must submit all the following information to be considered for the position:**

1. Resume
2. Proof of Licensure in the District of Columbia or statement regarding license eligibility
3. Psychosocial or Psychological Assessment/Evaluation writing sample
4. Three professional references (must include: name, current title, address and phone number)

Please click the link below to apply for the Bilingual Child and Adolescent Therapist position

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