

Mental Health Consultant

James Davis Early Childhood Learning Center

Glen Cove, NY 11542

Other

Part-time, Contract

Onsite

\$20.00 - \$60.00 an hour

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Organization Statement

Our mission is to improve the lives of our children and assist families reach their fullest potential. Through a compassionate partnership with parents, staff, and the community we offer a family focused program that includes education, health, nutrition, mental health, and services to children with disabilities.

Job Description

Essential Responsibilities

Child & Family Support

- Observe children in classroom settings and provide recommendations to support social-emotional development.
- Consult with teachers and families regarding behavioral, developmental, and emotional concerns.
- Assist with behavior support plans and referrals for additional evaluation or services.
- Participate in family conferences and multidisciplinary meetings as needed.

Staff Consultation & Training

- Coach staff on positive behavior support, classroom management, and trauma-informed practices.
- Provide professional development on early childhood mental health and social-emotional learning.
- Support crisis intervention and de-escalation strategies when appropriate.

Program Support

- Maintain required documentation of consultations, observations, referrals, and follow-up activities.
- Collaborate with education, disabilities, health, and community partners to coordinate services.
- Ensure mental health services meet Head Start Performance Standards and applicable regulations.
- Participate in program planning and continuous quality improvement initiatives.

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Education

- Master's degree in Psychology, Social Work, Counseling, Child Development, or a related behavioral health field.

Licensure

One of the following is preferred or required:

- LCSW
- LMHC
- LPC
- Licensed Psychologist
- LMFT

Experience

- Minimum of two years working with children from birth to age five.
- Experience consulting with families and early childhood education programs preferred.
- Knowledge of Head Start Performance Standards preferred.

Knowledge & Skills

- Knowledge of infant and early childhood mental health and child development.
- Strong communication, collaboration, and organizational skills.
- Experience with trauma-informed and culturally responsive practices.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality and professional ethics.

Physical Requirements

- Ability to observe children in classroom settings.
- Occasional lifting of up to 25 pounds.
- Ability to travel between program locations as needed.

- **Minimum Education Level:** Master's Degree
- **Preferred Education Level:** Master's Degree

Application Instructions

Please send your resume, licensure and/or credentials to cdhsm@gccdc.org

Language Requirements

English, Spanish

Additional Information

Must have experience working with children, families and teachers.

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