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Clinical Experience

Clinical Services Manager, Lawrence Hall Residential, Chicago IL

2015-Current

- Provide direct supervision and ongoing training for clinical team of five licensed clinicians, two clinical interns and three school social workers to ensure daily operational goals are met.
- Designed and implement the treatment program, based on the Good Lives model, for the residential program specializing in youth exhibiting sexually problematic behaviors with trauma histories.
- Participate in regular quality improvement committee meetings in which strategies to improve service delivery are analyzed and evaluated.
- Research and ensure that the clinical program is utilizing empirically based interventions at all levels.
- Coach all staff on the clinical strategies required to address high risk and dangerous behaviors from at-risk youth to ensure safety and therapeutic growth for the entire residential program.
- Address agency needs on an ongoing basis and allocate resources as needed to maintain safety in the program.
- Build and manage relationships with community service providers for adjunct therapeutic services such as wilderness therapy, and balance and restorative justice programs.
- Facilitate monthly 4-day Therapeutic Crisis Intervention (TCI) trainings for new hires and as refresher courses.

Therapist/Case Manager, Lawrence Hall, Chicago IL

2013-2015

- Provided individual and group treatment to residential males ages 10-16; treatment was specialized to address complex trauma and sexually problematic behaviors.
- Implemented University of Chicago research project curriculum "Handling Intense Emotions" in collaboration with the University.
- Facilitated quarterly meetings between treatment team members to evaluate progress and collaborate on treatment goals.
- Designed and managed the implementation of individual treatment plans for assigned caseload.
- Collaborated with outside agencies and treatment partners to meet clients' treatment goals.

Program Coordinator, Alternative Behavior Treatment Center, Chicago IL

2012

- Supervised and designed programming for a Transitional Living Program in association with the Department of Juvenile Justice.
- Performed intake assessments and interviews for newly admitted youth.
- Maintained accurate client reports to facilitate linking clients to necessary community resources.
- Implemented life skills and recreational programming to increase client treatment investment.

Professional Experience

Co-Chairman of SPB State Standards Committee, Dept. of Children and Family Services

Jan. 2017-Current

- Lead clinician responsible for writing the statewide standards for the assessment and treatment of juvenile sex offenders involved with the Department of Children and Family Services.
- Participate in quarterly meetings with state providers to share updates and solicit feedback on state standards.

Co-Founder of Overwatch Chicago, Chicago IL (www.OverwatchChicago.com)

Dec. 2016-Current

- Manage competitive, in-person, weekly eSports league and quarterly tournaments.
- Coordinate all pre-event and day-of-event logistics and player recruitment.
- Negotiate event sponsorships and partnerships for creative marketing opportunities.
- Design online communications, marketing and social media campaigns to grow community presence.

Certified Therapeutic Crisis Intervention Trainer

2013-Current