

Art/Special Programs Therapist

Job Description

The Garland Oaks team is looking to employ a compassionate and experienced Art Therapist and Licensed Counselor to utilize art and psychotherapeutic techniques to help adolescent female victims of sex trafficking. Garland Oaks is a new, 10 bed residential facility designed and built using trauma informed principles. Every aspect of the Garland Oaks home is centered on the residents' therapeutic experience. An ideal candidate will

Start Date: August 2022

Hours: Full Time/Exempt

Location:

Blount County (undisclosed location)

Organizational Relationships:

Clinical Director

Education: Master's Level Therapist

incorporate art theory and intervention strategies to help in restoring each resident's physical, cognitive, spiritual, and emotional wellbeing. This candidate will comfortably and competently encourage residents to engage in the therapeutic process of art making from the kinesthetic/sensory level to the cognitive/symbolic level. The art therapist's responsibilities include evaluations of residents' reactions and behaviors during art therapy sessions, attending multi-disciplinary treatment team meetings, as well as ensuring that art supplies and equipment are adequately stocked.

A successful candidate will remain knowledgeable regarding the latest developments in art therapy interventions and techniques to ensure that residents receive the best treatment possible. Ultimately, an exceptional art therapist should have a strong understanding of how to utilize a variety of artistic mediums as well as demonstrate excellent communication, analytical, and counseling skills.

Principle Duties

- Developing and implementing a multimedia art therapy program for Garland Oaks residents.
- Collaborating with a multi-disciplinary team to develop or integrate personalized treatment plans.
- Conducting art therapy sessions with residents using various types of art mediums including drawing, sculpting, painting, ceramics, and clay modeling.
- Foster a therapeutic setting in which the resident can engage in meaning making with their art and develop skills to verbally process it.
- Developing suitable art therapy programs for residents based on their needs, objectives, and preferred forms of artistic expression.
- Teaching residents coping skills and strategies to strengthen and improve their physical, mental, spiritual, and emotional acumen when addressing traumatic experiences.

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- Conducting group or family art therapy sessions as required.
- Maintaining detailed records of residents' progress as well as observations made during art therapy sessions.
- Completing skilled and timely documentation including assessments and reports.
- Able to advocate for the mental health needs of residents as relates to art therapy and intervention.
- Engage in community outreach through psychoeducation programs and community arts opportunities.
- Oversee Art Therapy grant applications and rewards.

Qualifications

- Master's degree in art therapy or counseling with additional coursework in art therapy.
- Certified by the art therapy credentials board (ATCB).
- Appropriate state licensure.
- Experience working with adolescents with developmental and complex trauma histories.
- Sound knowledge of art therapy and intervention practices.
- Possesses a clear understanding of the Expressive Therapies Continuum
- Well-versed in trauma informed and responsive therapeutic interventions.
- Excellent observational and counseling skills.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Reliable, flexible, and adaptable to the dynamic needs of the home.
- Ethical conduct and practice.
- Patient, empathetic, and creative.
- A passion for working with adolescent survivors of sex trafficking.

Compliance Responsibilities

- Comply with all State and national Standards of Accreditation and Certification
- Adhere to Garland Oaks Volunteer check in/out policy and procedures
- Ensure all activities within the agency conducted within the guidelines and regulation of Federal HIPAA requirements

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Education, Experience, Other Qualifications

A. Education

- Master's level therapist

B. Experience

- Previous experience working with youth with emotional and behavioral challenges preferred. Experience working as a team is preferred.

C. Character and Skills

- Passion and calling to develop strong relationships with others who are passionate about bringing an end to DMST.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to maintain a positive collaborative relationship among staff.
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to work under pressure.
- Demonstrated capability to conduct oneself in a calm and professional demeanor when dealing with difficult situations.
- Ability to work well with a diverse group of staff and volunteers.
- Willingness to respond to on call needs and work one overnight a month.
- Ability to work productively in an unstructured environment with frequent interruptions.

D. Spiritual

- Deep faith in and abiding walk with Christ, understanding of Biblical principles and of the hope, healing, and redemptive work of Christ.
- Growing spiritual life, with the desire to bring honor and glory to the Lord at Garland Oaks as well as outside the home.
- Agreement with and adherence to our Statement of Faith (The Lausanne Covenant).

E. Other

- Be capable of picking up at least 25 lbs. and climbing stairs.
- Must meet criminal background check requirements.
- Provide Garland Oaks with all appropriate background and clearance documents as required by state and federal laws.
- Once selected, successfully complete the prescribed courses of training.
- Respond to on-call request and complete shift as needed on available days.
- 21 years of age at the time of application submission.



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F. Travel

- Must possess a valid Tennessee driver's license.

This job description in no way implies the duties listed are the only ones the employee will be asked to perform. The employee may be asked to perform other tasks, projects, and training as requested by the Clinical Director.

**You may be required to work on a holiday but will be provided with alternative time off on a later date.

To Apply

Submit an application online at streethopetn.org/careers

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