

FAMILY PARTNER/PARENT CONSULTANT

CLASSIFICATION: Classified

TITLE OF IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR: Case Manager

TITLE OF EVALUATOR: Case Manager

JOB SUMMARY: This position serves to assist parents as partners in developing and implementing support plans for their emotionally disturbed child, to be used both at school and at home. The position supports the parents in keeping their child in the least restrictive educational environment (their local public school) while receiving the necessary support service.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

- Work as a team partner with behavioral intervention case manager to develop and implement a range of parent focused activities to enhance family involvement in the education process of their children.
- Provide training and consultation to mental health and education staff. Enhance their understanding of the family point of view and needs regarding the impact of an emotionally disturbed child in the home.
- Coordinate with Sonoma County Mental Health in the design of wrap-around services.
- Assist and guide parents and families in understanding the Special Education/Mental Health service system.
- Provide role modeling and support to parents in terms of parent participation and their child's education program; facilitate parents' ability to serve as a resource to each other and to advocate for themselves in the larger system of care.
- Attend all IEP meetings, work individually with student at home and at school as necessary.
- In partnership with behavior intervention case manager, train and provide consultation to behavioral assistants.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS:

- **Training and Experience-** Experience working with emotionally disturbed students. Experience in the development of, and participation in wrap-around plans.
- **Abilities-** Ability to: interact with students, parents and staff; work with a range of individuals and as part of a team; be creative and innovative in reaching out to and working with parents and professionals, to engage and work with people of diverse ethnic, cultural, and socio-economic groups. Good organizational skills, good communication, collaboration and listening skills. Knowledge of services available from Sonoma County Mental Health and other community resources.
- **Physical Effort/Working Environment-** Light physical effort. Indoor work environment.
- **Licenses/Certification-** A valid Class 3 California driver's license and evidence of appropriate automobile insurance based on DMV regulations may be required.
- **Education-** AA degree or higher with evidence of course work related to skills needed as an Instructional Assistant.

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Classified Salary Schedule

Range 33

Work Year: School Year (182 days)

Approved: August 12, 1999

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