
Job Description

Infant Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant

The IECMH Consultant will be part of a team developing an IECMH Consultation Network in South Carolina. The IECMH Consultation Network will support young children, their families, and the professional “helpers” in their lives (child care teachers, social workers, etc.). The Consultant will use his/her knowledge of early childhood development coupled with an understanding of family dynamics and relationship building at an individual/family, provider and community level, to support the social-emotional growth of very young children.

The IECMH Consultant will:

- provide consultation in settings where children grow and learn such as early care and education
- regularly communicate with community partners to collaborate and coordinate services
- participate in ongoing reflective supervision for IECMH Consultants
- participate in trainings and presentations for outreach as needed
- Lead local IECMH Consultation Network service coordination among child-serving professionals (ECE providers, Baby Net, Child Welfare, etc.) to build strong referral systems, joint case review and service planning, and resource sharing.
- Coordinate and facilitate meetings/trainings, including logistics, development of agendas, issuing reminders, compiling meeting summaries, etc.

Required:

Master's degree in Psychology, Social Work, Counseling, Early Education or other related fields.

While the services provided by the IECMH Consultation Network are not therapy, they are therapeutic thus the clinical professional training and experience of a clinician who has worked to support the relational health of children 0-5 and their families will be important in developing the approach and implementation protocol of the IECMH Consultation model.

Minimum 2 years of mental health practice mandatory. Since infant mental health is a two-generational approach, applicants should feel comfortable working with both adults and young children. Experience working with infants and young children (ages 0 – 5) is preferred.

Must have earned, be eligible for, or willing to work towards Endorsement for Culturally Sensitive, Relationship-Focused Practice Promoting Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health®.

Experience with reflective supervision

Experience training/teaching adults

Characteristics of Success

The knowledge and capacity to work independently but with a primary orientation and communication practice that is geared for a **collaborative, team approach** is essential. In order for this program and for SCIMHA to be successful in serving young children and families, we are building a team of **passionate and knowledgeable professionals who:**

- are well-versed in IECMH principles, practices and systems
- are extremely well organized with exceptional skills for planning and follow-through

- are action oriented and solution-focused
- easily navigate between strategy and tactics; big picture and fine detail
- will pitch in whole-heartedly no matter the size of the task

Job Type: Full-time