

UNITEDFAMILYCENTER

School Base Mental Health Counselor

Sunnyside, WA - Full time (Monday-Friday)

About UFC:

United Family Center is a Community Based Behavioral Health Agency offering Substance Use Outpatient Services and Mental Health Outpatient Services with locations in Grandview, WA, Spokane, WA, and Kennewick, WA. At United Family Center, we envision a future in which all children, youth, and adults regardless of the complexity of their needs, living conditions, social-economic background, are connected to caring peers and have access to appropriate services and supports so they can be healthy, experience positive development, and live and thrive in their homes and communities. UFC believes it is our mission to leave this world a better place, and that starts in our communities.

Full Job Description:

School Base Mental Health Counselors provide an array of services including; safety evaluations, brief therapy, crisis interventions, and other interventions for students. The School Base Mental Health Counselor will be fully integrated into their assigned school district and work with teachers, counselors, administrators, principals, support staff, families, and other members of the United Family Center team to make sure that students develop the knowledge and skills needed to manage their emotions, mental health concerns, and behaviors more effectively. By doing this we can ensure that students have the support systems they deserve to be able to thrive in their schools, homes, and communities which ensures successful growth for students academically, socially, and emotionally. The School Base Mental Health Counselor may also be asked to assist with providing coverage for another School Base Mental Health Counselors in the same school district. A critical attribute required of this position is exceptional interpersonal skills consisting of an outgoing positive attitude, warm friendly demeanor, and the utmost care and respect for our students, families, customers, and colleagues.

Clinical supervision and training in evidence-based practices are provided as part of this position. This is a full-time position and regular travel between designated school, other schools, and our main office may be required.

Responsibilities:

- Completing mental health and safety evaluations for students as needed
- Providing individual, family, and group intervention
- Collaborating with students and families to create individualized plans
- Assessing students for safety and risk to self or others, and taking appropriate crisis intervention measures when needed
- Engaging with teachers, guidance counselors, families, school administrators, nurses and community service providers for case management
- Classroom observation and intervention of students when appropriate
- Completion of documentation in a timely manner
- Working effectively as a member of an integrative team implementing academic, behavioral, and therapeutic services for students
- Provide mental health awareness, early identification, and treatment services to students,

families, and communities

- Additional activities within the areas of expertise as requested by the designated School District.
- Practices within legal and ethical guidelines and under clinical supervision
- Assisting with coverage for other schools as needed
- Collaborating with the director in identifying areas of growth for the school-based team
- Performs other duties as assigned

Qualifications:

- Master's Degree or Bachelor's Degree in Social/Behavioral Sciences, or related field required
- Knowledge and skills necessary to provide care appropriate to the population of clients served
- Preferred experience in counseling related to crisis and trauma
- Experience working with persons who experience mental illness, preferably youth.
- Have or obtain Washington State Agency Affiliated Counselor or Washington State Associate Registration or Washington State Counselor or Social Worker License required with-in 90 days of hire date
- Valid driver's license and vehicle liability insurance
- Bilingual (preferred) and ability to work with a culturally diverse population
- Satisfactory criminal history background check

Required Skills/Abilities:

- Have good written & oral communication skills
- Demonstrate knowledge and experience with Evidence-Based Practices, or interest and ability to learn
- Ability to prioritize and delegate tasks
- Excellent speaking and presentation skills
- Ability to maintain confidential records

United Family Center offers multiple career opportunities with room for promotion *Professional development opportunities to further employee education *Competitive wages within our communities and industry *Generous vacation, paid holidays, and sick leave policies *Flexible Schedule

Salary: \$49,500.00 - \$62,000.00 per year

Benefits:

- Dental insurance
- Health insurance
- Life insurance
- Paid time off