



Position title: Counselor, Connecting Forward

The Connecting Forward Counselor will provide assessment, screening, resource connection, case management, and/or mental health counseling to program clients of all Connecting Forward network partners. The Counselor will recommend an individual and/or family care plan of action on needs identified. If needed, the Counselor will provide intensive case management, short-term counseling, self-advocacy training, family counseling, life skills training, parenting skills training, educational and supportive services, in-home services, advocacy and/or referrals as needed. **Multiple positions that will serve specific areas (Dickson, Clarksville, Mt. Juliet, Murfreesboro, and Spring Hill / Columbia Tn). We prefer applicants live in or near the areas that they apply.**

Duties and Responsibilities

- Conduct needs assessments for learning disabilities, mental health, imminent risk, domestic violence, trauma, and/or other needs as they relate to client success and services.
- Develop, implement, and modify treatment plans, as needed, to address the needs of the client.
- Establish and maintain an effective treatment relationship.
- Refer and connect clients to Connecting Forward network partners to fulfill identified needs.
- Provide short-term, solution-focused, trauma-informed counseling (e.g. individual or family therapy)
- Refer clients, when appropriate, to licensed drug and alcohol treatment centers, domestic violence shelters, and other community treatment centers, or long-term therapeutic service agencies, etc.
- Process and distribute mail daily. Coordinate the pick-up and delivery of express mail services (FedEx, UPS, etc.)
- Refer clients, when appropriate, to licensed drug and alcohol treatment centers, domestic violence shelters, and other community treatment centers, or long-term therapeutic service agencies, etc.
- Be knowledgeable about Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Income (SSDI) and other federal benefit programs for which the client may qualify; assist the client in applying for federal SSI and SSDI benefits when appropriate.
- Employ a strengths-based and client goal-oriented approach to facilitate self-empowerment.
- Provide ongoing educational and/or supportive groups and/or therapeutic groups as needed.
- Develop relationships with partner agencies and assume a strong advocacy role for needed services.
- Provide services in the home, school, or other location in the community when needed and appropriate for best serving the client in meeting goals.
- Regular attendance during office hours and reliable transportation required.

Requirements: This position requires a Master's Degree in Social Work, Counseling or related field with 2-3 years of working with children and families from diverse socio-economic and ethnic backgrounds. Licensed or license eligible preferred.

Salary: \$48,500

Submit resume, salary requirements and if interested in Full or Part- Time to:

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