

Role Title:	<h1>Associate Therapist</h1>
Reporting To:	Director
Responsible For:	Delivery of bespoke packages of therapy for children and families.
Job Status / Hours: Pay:	<p>Sessional role – you will need to be available to work the hours necessary to carry out the agreed work on a weekly basis.</p> <p>Caseloads are flexible and can be arranged to fit around other commitments.</p>
Pay:	<p>Pay is on an hourly rate, depending on experience.</p> <p>Travel expenses are paid.</p> <p>Support with clinical supervision and practicum included.</p>
Summary of Overall Role Purpose	<p>Beacon Family Services helps children and their parents, carers and teachers develop and build strong connections and healthy relationships using play-based therapies and training so that they can feel safe and secure.</p> <p>Our therapists are passionate about working with children and families and expert in delivering therapy packages while following strict confidentiality and safeguarding guidelines.</p> <p>You would provide specialist therapy, focusing on recovery from the effects of trauma and attachment rupture, including Adoption Support Fund commissioned work. Working to a clear clinical plan for the family, you will offer Theraplay and DDP informed dyadic or family therapy and therapeutic parenting work with parents and carers.</p>
Main Duties & Responsibilities:	<p>Provide specialist support to children and families impacted by trauma and attachment difficulties, through Theraplay and DDP.</p> <p>Contribute to the formulation and implementation of plans of specialist treatment and support for children and families.</p> <p>Provide a specialist perspective in the assessment of children referred to Beacon Family Services.</p> <p>Consult with and provide specialist guidance and training to families and professionals using Beacon Family Services.</p> <p>Participate in regular clinical supervision including as part of the Theraplay/DDP practicum.</p> <p>Work within the Code of Ethics and the relevant professional practice guidelines of your professional body and Beacon Family Services policies and procedures.</p> <p>Collect and collate relevant data on work activities, as required, and maintain a high standard of clinical record keeping respecting confidentiality and safeguarding duties.</p>



Essential Criteria

Education & Qualifications

- Higher level qualification in child development e.g. social work, psychology, teaching
- Theraplay and/or DDP training.
- Current Enhanced DBS Check

Skills / Knowledge / Experience

- At least 2 years working in a childcare setting
- Experience of working with children with a full range of emotional wellbeing difficulties.
- Experience of working with children who have SEND needs is desirable.
- Understanding of trauma, its effects and the different presenting and therapeutic recovery needs of children at different ages and stages.

Personal Competencies

- Commitment and passion for working playfully with children and families.
- Able to plan own workload and prioritise tasks by using own initiative as required with a minimum of supervision
- Self-reflective and committed to continuous development
- Organised forward planning skills
- Able to operate in an entirely professional and confidential manner

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