RESEARCH AND EVALUATION SPECIALIST

National Wraparound Initiative and Wraparound Evaluation & Research Team (WERT)

The Wraparound Evaluation and Research Team (WERT) seeks to improve the lives of children and their families through research on the implementation and outcomes of the wraparound process and evaluation that can inform meaningful improvements in local and state wraparound initiatives. Located within the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle, WERT is the research and evaluation wing of the National Wraparound Initiative (NWI). WERT aims to assist implementation of the wraparound process, evaluate effectiveness, identify the need for technical assistance and training, and promote communication within the service delivery and research and evaluation fields.

WERT is pleased to announce recruitment for a new Evaluation Specialist position. This person will be housed at the office of Public Behavioral Health & Justice Policy, near the University of Washington campus, in Seattle, Washington.

The person in this position will lead a national effort by WERT and the National Wraparound Initiative (NWI; see www.nwi.pdx.edu) to evaluate the implementation and outcomes of multiple state and community implementation efforts for children with serious and complex needs and their families. The Specialist will also be responsible for developing and refining quality assurance tools, designing local and state evaluation protocols, overseeing data collection, and providing feedback that can inform service delivery improvements, and conducting literature reviews that can inform knowledge of the field and innovations in wraparound practice.

Key responsibilities will include:

- Develop or assist with the development of data collection instruments;
- Perform quality assurance duties;
- Integrate and clean multiple data streams for research studies;
- Contribute to research study design including methodology and analysis for reporting or grant funding proposals;
- Design sophisticated database structures and/or models;
- Manage multiple data collection efforts with other collaborating agencies;
- Write and edit technical reports and manuscripts for publication;
- Present research findings to stakeholder groups.
- Grant and contract management, including preparation of deliverables and grant application;
- Institutional Review Board protocol development and management.
- Manage coordination with Faculty on program operations, program planning of new and existing projects, as well as managing programmatic relationships with grant collaborators.
- Develop Curriculum and assist with training and consultation
- Consultation will entail technical assistance regarding evaluation of wraparound programs in Washington and across the US;
• Coordination of Faculty and staff for the national evaluation of the Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF) demonstration project, sponsored by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services;
• Oversight of the national quality review project of the National Wraparound Initiative; and evaluation and QA duties for the SAMHSA-funded Washington State System of Care expansion grant.

Requirements:

Master's Degree in Social Work, Psychology, or related field and 5 years experience in mental health or public health research and evaluation in public systems and/or higher education.

• Minimum 4 years' experience in program evaluation and research in children's mental health.
• Experience in evaluation and research design; experience with care management and/or wraparound preferred.
• Proficient in the use of SPSS, Excel, PowerPoint, all MS Office and Outlook software
• Experience writing and editing IRB applications. Experience creating and following research protocols and conducting research evaluation interviews

See the University of Washington website for the official application for REQ # 99541.

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