**Parent Partner *(Bilingual Spanish)***

(Children’s In-Home Crisis Stabilization Program)

**Program Summary:**

The **Children's In-Home Crisis Stabilization Program** serves children up to age 18 who are at risk through suicidal or homicidal thoughts, yet don’t meet the criteria for hospitalization. The goal of the program is to diffuse the crisis, promote a healthy family, prevent self-harm (suicide), and keep the family unit together. Program services are field-based and include short term in-home therapy (individual and group), case management, and mental health rehabilitation with a focus on maintaining family stabilization and preventing hospitalization.

**Job Summary:**

The primary responsibility of the **Family/Parent Partner** is to establish and implement the support services for parents and guardians of children participating in the Children In-Home Crisis Stabilization program. They provide support in whatever way is most helpful to each individual family including as a liaison to the In-home program and community resources.

This position is field based, staff are not required to report to an office each day. Services are to be provided primarily in the home and/or community to accommodate the family’s schedule.

***\*\*The Priority Center also offers a 9/80 work week schedule which allows for one day off every two weeks (equivalent to having an additional 26 days off per year!)\*\****

**Goals:**

* Be part of a field-based crisis team that responds to family line calls 24/7 throughout the community. (On-call duties are on a rotation basis amongst entire team)**.**
* Meet productivity level as defined by management.
* Complete documentation as required by Supervisor and/or agency in a timely manner and meets the standards of HCA, Medi Cal and other funding sources

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

* Actively participate as a parent mentor to families currently involved in the Children In- Home Crisis Stabilization program.
* Provide crisis intervention and critical safety management services primarily in the home and/or community to accommodate the family’s schedule.
* Provide support to Parent/Caregiver to help them cope with stressors related to recent crisis situation their child experienced.
* Consult, confer and coordinate with referring and other community agencies and resources to advocate for the mental health needs of the child/family.
* Provide rehabilitation services as needed to improve, maintain and restore functioning. Services include: improving parent/child relationship, parent strategies to cope with current crisis, improve communication between family members and provide community resources that could assist in sustaining the family unit.
* Provide parenting education as needed including setting limits, behavioral contracts, communication, etc.
* Assist the family in identifying their child’s strengths and the strengths of the family to improve family relationships/interactions.
* Maintain contact with caregiver of clients who are hospitalized/respite/residential and participate in discharge planning and necessary collateral contacts.
* Document all services provided for contract compliance as well as financial, statistical and other reporting purposes.

**Secondary Duties:**

* Active participation in all required training.
* Participate in planning of various events as needed.
* Participate in weekly individual and team supervision.

**Position Qualifications:**

* Experience as a parent or family member who has been involved with the behavioral health system.
* High School Diploma required. B.S. Degree in Psychology, Social Work or other related mental health field with two years’ experience preferred.
* Valid California Driver’s License
* Live Scan fingerprinting required
* Experience with families and children is preferred.
* Bilingual Spanish Required

**COVID-19 Considerations:**

The Priority Center enforces weekly COVID-19 testing for unvaccinated or undisclosed staff. We provide masks, hand sanitizer, require daily temperature scans and enforce social distancing.

**To Apply/Contact Information:**

Current interested applicants please submit Employment Application and current resume to: [**HR@theprioritycenter.org**](mailto:HR@theprioritycenter.org)