

Position Title:Senior ClinicianTeam:Restoring Childhood TeamRegion: Western

Supervisors: Program Manager –

Restoring Childhood In Line with Delegations Policy

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ORGANISATIONAL INFORMATION

OUR VISION AND FOCUS

All children should have a good childhood, growing up feeling safe, nurtured and with hope for the future.

Berry Street chooses to work with children, young people and families with the most challenging and complex needs. We work across metropolitan, regional and rural Victoria.

To achieve our Vision, Berry Street delivers a wide variety of programs, from those aimed at strengthening families and communities through to those that focus on helping people recover from the trauma of violence, abuse and neglect.

We also engage government, other community organisations and the general public in child-focussed advocacy and knowledge sharing.

OUR VALUES

Berry Street expects all staff to apply these Values in all aspects of their work.

Courage: To be the best we can be and to never give up

Integrity: Expect a personal and organisation commitment to honesty

Respect: Acknowledge the importance of each person's heritage, traditions, identity, needs and aspirations

Accountability: Be responsible for our own actions

Working Together: Work with our clients, each other and our colleagues to share knowledge, ideas, resources and skills.

ROLE CONTEXT

The Restoring Childhood Model (RCM) has been funded by the Victorian Government as one off 12 month demonstration projects in 2017/18 providing therapeutic services to children and young people impacted by family violence

The RCM is grounded in evidence informed practice and Berry Streets' experience in working with vulnerable children (0-17years) and their families who have experienced trauma, including family violence. In particular, the Take Two Program, a Child Mental Health Service that provides therapeutic services to traumatised children in the child protection system, providing therapeutic services to young children and their mothers within our Western Domestic Violence Service.

The Restoring Childhood Model is a child focussed trauma informed service designed to intervene early to redress the traumatic impacts of family violence on children and young people (0-17 years).

The RCM is comprises following components:

Delegations and Authorities:

- Specialist Intake and Triage face to face parent consultation focussed on the needs of their children, supported referrals and secondary consultations.
- Brief Relational Intervention and Screening (3-4 weeks) 3 parent/child therapeutic sessions, supported referrals and secondary consultations.
- Medium term counselling (up to 6 months) the delivery of evidence based therapeutic interventions for children and young people, specifically designed to minimise the symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES OF THE ROLE

The primary objectives of the role are to:

- Participate and provide clinical leadership in the three components of the Restoring Childhood Model.
- Provide supervision, consultation and support to clinicians.
- Work co-operatively with both internal and external stakeholders.
- Monitor clinical workloads and risk, and to review the progress of clinical work.
- Support the evaluation of the model and ensure data and information related to client files adheres to practice policy and standards.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

This role is based at our Ballarat office. It is part of the broader Family Violence team.

This role reports to the Program Manager – Restoring Childhood who will provide supervision and review.

This is a fixed term position until 30 June 2018.

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

- Demonstrated ability to provide a high standard of clinical assessment and treatment of infants, children, young people and families; including experience specifically in providing dyadic clinical interventions for children and parents together.
- Demonstrated experience in delivering clinical supervision to clinical staff supporting infants, children and families.
- Sound decision making skills, reflected in excellent clinical judgements.
- A high degree of self-discipline, reflected in the ability to provide targeted clinical services within strict time frames.
- A strong understanding of the complexity of the family violence and child protection and family violence service systems and the issues involved in providing services to clients.
- Demonstrated commitment to working collaboratively and the capacity to negotiate and liaise with other agencies and the community, including CSOs, statutory and justice services.
- Demonstrated understanding of, and respect for, the needs of children with a disability; Aboriginal culture, including cultural safety and awareness; and cultural and linguistic diversity (CALD), including cultural safety for children from CALD backgrounds
- Demonstrated understanding of and commitment to the principles of equity, diversity, continual improvement, risk management and occupational health and safety.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills (including public speaking, presentations and facilitation skills).
- Demonstrated ability to flexibly manage competing priorities and stressful situations, monitoring own stress levels and practicing and promoting self-care strategies.

QUALIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS **DESIRABLE** • A tertiary qualification in Social Work, Psychology, welfare or a related An understanding of the Child and Family Services sector and an discipline. understanding of the Children, Youth and Families Act 2006 and Family Violence Protection Act 2008. Post Graduate training is required (child psychotherapy, infant-parent therapy, family therapy etc.) and trainee or clinical membership of relevant An understanding of the issues involved in working with families with professional association. diverse needs- i.e. CALD or disability (physical, sensory, intellectual or psychiatric). A minimum of five years' experience conducting clinical work with children. Staff must hold a valid WWCC, current drivers licence at all times and undergo a Criminal Records Check prior to employment. Subsequently, staff must report any criminal charges or court appearances.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

ACCOUNTABILITY	SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES
Service Delivery	 Contribute to the delivery of clinical services comprising of triage, assessment and treatment of families referred to the Restoring Childhood Team
	 Provide secondary consultation concerning the infant, child and parent mental health and family violence risk management needs of clients.
	 Ensure all data requirements and client documentation are completed within the required time frames and of a high quality.
	Complete all clinical work within the required timeframes
	Maintain productive working relationships with both internal and external key stakeholders.
	Participate in team meetings, training and other meetings as appropriate.
	Keep abreast of relevant theoretical, legislative and policy development.
Supervision	Provide supervision to clinicians in accordance with Berry Street's supervision policy.
	Coach and mentor staff within the team.
Other	Self-manage risk and safety in clinical practice and work environments.
	Provide reports as required.
	 Support the Restoring Childhood Program Manager with the implementation and operation of the Restoring Childhood Model.
	 Berry Street supports White Ribbon, Australia's campaign to stop violence against women. There is an expectation that staff never commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women.
	 Berry Street are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children, including those with a disability and culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds. Berry Street are also committed to cultural safety, inclusion and empowerment of Aboriginal children, their families and communities.
	Other duties as directed



CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

- 1. This position is for 76 hours per fortnight. There is no paid overtime, but any extra hours worked will be accrued as Time-in-Lieu according to the Berry Street Victoria Enterprise Agreement.
- 2. This is a fixed term position until 30.06.18
- 3. You will initially be employed at our Western office in Ballarat. You may be required to work from other Berry Street sites (on a temporary or permanent basis) as directed from time to time.
- 4. Terms and conditions of employment are in accordance with the Berry Street Victoria Enterprise Agreement, which includes above Award payments and eligibility for remuneration packaging. Salary packaging is available to full-time and 0.8 staff to a maximum value of \$15,899 and a maximum value of \$12,000 to all other permanent part-time staff, in line with our Salary Packaging policy.
- 5. The base salary for this position is \$81,285.92 under the Berry Street Victoria Enterprise Agreement. The value of the salary can be increased through salary packaging.
- 6. This position comes with full private use of a Berry Street vehicle.
- 7. Superannuation will be paid according to Superannuation Guarantee into a compliant fund of your choice or into HESTA Superannuation Fund.
- 8. The successful applicant will be required to undergo satisfactory pre-employment checks, including 2 professional referees, a pre-existing injury/disease declaration, a criminal records check and proof of identify and qualifications.
- 9. The successful applicant will initially be employed for a probationary period of 5 months. During this period, either party can terminate employment with one week's notice. A probationary review before 5months will be undertaken.
- 10. Agency vehicles are available for authorised use and these should be used at all times for work-related purposes, in accordance with the Berry Street Motor Vehicle Policy. However, if you are authorised to use your own vehicle for work-related purposes, you will be paid an allowance per kilometre, which includes provision for comprehensive insurance and other running costs. Berry Street is unable to insure private vehicles owned by staff and will not accept any liability for damage to any staff vehicles incurred while being used for work-related purposes
- 11. Under Victorian WorkCover legislation, it is the applicant's duty to advise Berry Street of any pre-existing medical condition, which could be aggravated by the type of employment for which they are applying. The existence of a medical condition will not preclude you from employment, unless you are unable to perform the inherent requirements of the position. However failure to disclose any relevant injury or disease will jeopardise any entitlement you may otherwise have for a work-related aggravation of that non-disclosed pre-existing condition.
- 12. Berry Street has a smoke-free workplace policy



INHERENT REQUIREMENTS OF WORK ACTIVITIES / ENVIRONMENT

Following is a table that outlines the main physical and psychological requirements of the position.

Element	Key Activity	Frequency
Work Environment	Manage demanding and changing workloads and competing priorities.	Daily
	Work in a team environment.	Daily
	Work in different geographic locations.	Daily
	Work office hours with the possibility of extended hours.	Regularly
	Work in an open plan office.	Could be daily
	Work in buildings which may be two-storey.	Could be daily
	Sit at a computer or in meetings for extended periods.	Daily
	Present at court and other jurisdictions.	Occasionally
People Contact	Liaise with government, non-government and community organisations.	Daily
	Interact with members of the public who may display the full range of emotional expressions, including parents, partners, significant others, family members, advocates, doctors, police.	Regularly
	Interact with clients and members of the public who could display verbal or physically challenging behaviour.	Regularly
Administrative Tasks	Undertake administrative tasks which may include the following: computer work, writing reports, participating in meetings, concentrating for long periods of time, managing resources and budget and researching and analysing information and data.	Daily
	Use technology including photocopier, telephones including mobiles, fax, overhead projectors, televisions, videos, and electronic whiteboards.	Daily
Transport	Drive vehicles possibly over long distances and in all traffic and weather conditions.	Regularly