



Job description			
Job title	MST-CAN Family Resource Specialist		
Grade	H		
Directorate	Children's Services		
Service/team	Multisystemic Therapy for Child Abuse and Neglect		
Accountable to	MST-CAN Supervisor		
Responsible for	N/A		
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Purpose of the Job

You will support the work of the MST-CAN Service, in particular the 3 MST-CAN Therapists, in the development and delivery of MST-CAN intervention. You will be working with complex families and children open to statutory services at risk of becoming looked after due to physical abuse or neglect.

As a Family Resource Specialistise in the team and under the guidance of the MST-CAN Supervisor, your focus will be on following the principles and processes of MST-CAN at every stage of the programme; working intensively on every front - from home to school to neighbourhood, with the families of children on the edge of care. You will support the MST-CAN Therapist in offering direct support to children and families, improving outcomes and evidencing impact. You will develop links with other local agencies, ensuring a systemic support network for families.

You will be available to provide consultation and support to those families, working in a flexible way; this will include evening and weekend working.

Duties and Responsibilities

This is not a comprehensive list of all the tasks, which may be required of the post holder. It is illustrative of the general nature and level of responsibility of the work to be undertaken:

1. Assist MST-CAN Therapists in gathering information about resources for clients through a proactive stance of working to anticipate the need of clients and families
2. Engage primary caregiver and other key participants in active change-



oriented treatment by identifying and overcoming barriers to engagement

3. Assist MST-CAN Therapists to implement a problem conceptualisation, treatment planning, intervention implementation, outcome review and strategy revision procedure using the MST Analytic Process
4. Maintain clear and concise documentation of treatment efforts that promote peer and supervisory review and feedback, and that demonstrate compliance with the nine MST Principles and the MST Analytic Process
5. Perform safety checks at the direction of the supervisor or therapist, respond to emergencies, and implement crisis plans
6. Obtain drug screens and/or breathalysers for parents or children who are abusing substances where this is part of intervention treatment
7. Participate in all MST-CAN training, supervision and consultation activities
8. Build a relationship with community stakeholders to ensure cooperation among service providers
9. Assist clients in practical needs such as housing, budgeting, job attainment, and prosocial recreational activities
10. Assist the clinical team and parents with children's school adjustment
11. Develop a resource book for the team of activities and services available in the community that support the clinical interventions
12. Be available to clinicians and engage in activities to support clinicians in their work with families



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Health and Safety

- To use equipment as instructed and trained.
- To inform management of any health and safety issues which could place individuals at risk.
- To be proactive and up to date with the detail of risk assessments and support plans relating to individuals within the service, the activities, and the environment.

Data Protection and Information Security

- Implement and act in accordance with the Information Security Acceptable Use Policy, Data Protection Policy and GDPR.
- Protect the Council's information assets from unauthorised access, disclosure, modification, destruction or interference.
- Report actual or potential security incidents.