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Early Childhood Counsellor/Project Officer

Do you want to work in one of Australia's leading organisations providing treatment and rehabilitation to torture and trauma survivors; that's quality focused, diverse & committed to making a difference in the lives of vulnerable people in communities?

Come & join us!

The Organisation

"STARTTS is a not-for-profit Affiliated Health Organisation focused on providing a broad range of services to refugees in NSW. The focus of STARTTS approach is on building capacity and empowering people and communities to take control over their own lives, using a strengths-based approach and building on individual, family, community and cultural strengths."

The Role

This position forms part of STARTTS Clinical Team – Early Childhood (sub-team). It will assist children aged between 0-6 years, their parents/caregivers and families. The position is to facilitate delivery of individual, family and group-based interventions, research, and community capacity building activities.

Position No: 1160

Closing date: Friday 2 December 2022

Enquiries: Rosemary Signorelli on 02 9646 6700 or 02 9646 6666. Available for enquiries from Tuesday to Friday only.

Work Type: Full-time; 38 hours per week. Contract up to 1 Year (Continuation subject to ongoing funding)

Location: Carramar NSW

Salary: Health Education Officer, or other relevant classification based on qualifications, experience and requirements of the role under the NSW Health Awards. A generous salary packaging scheme is also offered to reduce the taxable income and increase the take home pay.

Skills and Qualifications Required

Essential:

1. Relevant tertiary qualifications in health, counselling, behavioural or social sciences, and experience in early childhood intervention or early childhood care and education.
2. Knowledge and understanding of refugee issues, and the impact of torture and refugee trauma on families, and children 0-6 years old from a refugee background.
3. Demonstrated ability to conduct individual observations and/or assessment and short to medium term interventions with children 0-6 years old.
4. Demonstrated experience in running groups with children 0-6 years old and their parents
5. Advocacy and community development skills and experience.
6. Excellent oral and written communication skills and proficiency in the use of Microsoft Office.
7. Ability to work independently and as part of a multidisciplinary team within a multicultural environment.
8. Relevant experience in conducting individual and/or group information sessions or training.
9. Current NSW Driver's Licence.



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Desirable:

1. Relevant experience in conducting consultancy and support to child care and preschool providers and teachers working with refugee children 0-6 years old.
2. Demonstrated understanding of the NSW Early Childhood services and Education system and needs of children 0-6 years old with their parents.
3. Experience working in a multicultural context.
4. Trained in the running of Circle of Security Parenting courses, or other relevant parenting/family programmes.

*This position is considered child-related employment and will require a Working with Children Background Check and a National Police Check.

COVID -19 REQUIREMENTS

*In line with the Public Health Order, all STARTTS workers are considered Health Workers and are required to be vaccinated against COVID-19. In order to be eligible for consideration for employment with STARTTS, all recruits must provide evidence of vaccination against COVID-19, or alternatively provide a Medical Contraindication in the approved form which complies with the requirements of the Public Health Order, prior to appointment. Should you not be able to comply before your commencement date, the offer of employment may be withdrawn.

HOW TO APPLY

To be considered for this position, please ensure you address the selection criteria as thoroughly as possible.

1. Complete a [STARTTS Application for Employment Form](#)
2. Write a **Statement Against the Selection Criteria** outlining how you meet the selection criteria (see the guide "[How to apply for a job at STARTTS](#)")
3. Submit an up-to-date **Curriculum Vitae (CV)**
4. Provide copies of relevant Qualifications if applicable (overseas qualification must be assessed by an appropriate Australian body to be considered)
5. Statements of Service from previous relevant roles (if applicable, please ask us for a sample)
6. A cover letter is optional.
7. Email your application and supporting documents to: STTS-Jobs@health.nsw.gov.au

NB: Depending on the role, if appointed, you may need a current 'NSW Working With Children Check' clearance, follow this link for information on how to apply of your check: <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check/paid-workers>