INCA Community Services

Job Description



Title:	Practice Based Coach	Reports to:	Education Manager	
Program:	Head Start	Status:	Non-Exempt, 40 hours a week, Full-Benefits, some flexibility in schedule. 12 month.	
Approved:	May 2017	Wage:	See Salary Scale	

Job Summary:

Responsible for high-quality coaching, guided reflection, training and technical assistance, and individualized support and follow-up to teachers guided by data from CLASS Observations, LAP-D Assessments, Mental Health Observations, and a Curriculum Fidelity Checklist. This position is not a supervisory role, the coach will ensure teachers are receiving the instruction and guidance needed to successfully teach and implement the assigned curriculum and practices which promote high quality learning and school-readiness.

This position does have a recurring access to a vulnerable population.

Essential Functions: The below is intended to describe the general nature and level of work performed by a person in this position. They are not to be construed as an exhaustive list of all duties that may be performed in such a position.

Coaching Duties and Responsibilities: (75% of time)

- Develop and maintain positive, supportive relationship with teaching staff.
- Maintain knowledgeable on the program's curriculum and operational procedures related to child development.
- Maintain awareness of trends and best practices, and is continually acquiring knowledge in fields related to early childhood development and education, children and families and poverty.
- Meet regularly and effectively communicate with the Education Manager on:
 - Scheduling classroom observations for determining needs
 - Developing and coordinating on-site work schedules, classroom observations and training timeline to share with area supervisors and management team.
 - Analyzing data to determine individualized coaching needs for teaching staff and program improvement goals
 - Coaching plans and assessing teaching staff progress.
 - Support ongoing professional development of teachers.
- Develop individualized coaching plans, with specific goals and areas for growth based on classroom and teacher observations.
- Submit coaching plans to review with the Education Manager.
- Implement plans and assess teacher progress.
- Provide one-to-one mentor coaching strategies for improving teacher-child interactions with culturally, linguistically, and developmentally diverse groups of children.

- Provide constructive feedback and support to teaching staff for learning and growth, including activities, reading materials, or other resources as needed to guide learning.
- Document classroom and teacher observations and individual mentor coaching plans
- Gather and track coursework, assessments and training events documentation from teaching staff
- Monitor the staff's progress and child outcomes based on school readiness goals.
- Follow-up on individual teaching staff request for coaching services and document nature of training needed.
- Train new teaching staff and maintain support as needed while they gain knowledge of their role and the responsibilities of their position..
- Plan and present small group workshops on relevant child development topics based on program monitoring outcomes.
- Promote best practices in early childhood development based on Head Start Performance Standards, Creative Curriculum, Oklahoma Early Learning Guidelines and other prescribed curricula used by INCA Head Start.

Class Observer Duties: (10% of time)

- Receive and maintain Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) certification
- Assist with CLASS observations and analyze data to measure progress in child outcomes.
 - 2 cycles of observation of 20 minutes (minimum) per classroom assigned.
 - Code and enter data into Child Plus (data system)

Data Input Duties: (15% of time)

- Assist with the collection and gathering of child progress data.
- Prepares source data for computer entry by compiling and sorting information; establishing entry priorities.
- Processes child progress data, review data for deficiencies; resolve discrepancies
- Enters child progress data in Child Plus (data base)
- Maintains data entry requirements by following data program techniques and procedures.
- Verifies data by reviewing, correcting, deleting, or reentering data

General Duties:

- Serves as role model to staff, children and parents;
- Attend work punctually and regularly to provide consistency of service;
- Attend upon request all staff and other appropriate meetings, training and conferences some of which may require out-of-town travel and evening/overnight attendance;
- Follow Agency personnel policies as established by Board;
- At all times maintain professional attitude and respect for parents, children and staff;
- Ensure confidentially of all records and information;
- Demonstrate commitment to mission, values, and policies in the performance of daily routines;
- Perform other program-related assignments as designated;
- Present a positive image of the agency to members of the community.

Supervisory Relationships:

Works under the supervision of the Education Manager and is accountable to the Head Start Director, Executive Director, Policy Council and Board of Directors.

Knowledge and Skills:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the education, certification, licensing, experience, knowledge, skill and/or ability required.

- Ability to organize and manage effectively, and work independently.
- Flexible and self-motivated to handle the needs of the staff to meet goals.
- Ability to exercise good judgment in recognizing scope of authority.

- Ability to analyze, interpret, and utilize various forms of data.
- Advanced skills in effective communication, both verbal and written.
- Ability to build and maintain effective and professional working relationships with staff, management, and families.
- Ability to prepare clear, concise, and accurate records and reports.
- Ability to effectively present information, respond to questions and deliver training in group or one-on-one settings.
- Ability to efficiently interpret, explain and implement guidelines, policies and procedures.
- Ability to work independently and maintain professional boundaries and confidentiality.
- Ability to exercise tact and discretion in all employee interactions.
- Ability to work well with people of diverse cultural and socioeconomic groups

Qualifications:

Education: Bachelor Degree in Early Childhood Education or Child Development or a related degree and coursework equivalent. Within six month receive CLASS Certification.

Experience:

- Desired Three years of experience in an early childhood classroom or 5 years experience in a child development program working directly with children, families and staff
- And/ or a position involving parent/adult education or college or preschool instruction, which included program planning, organizing, and adult education and training.
- Must have ability to use technology in an instructional environment and be able to successfully implement technology in presentations.
- Advanced computer skills, including social media and internet research.
- Experience in reading, interpreting and implementing guidelines and following written and oral instructions;

General:

- Valid Oklahoma driver's license
- Reliable transportation with liability insurance,
- Character references
- Must pass:
 - Physical,
 - Pre-employment drug testing
 - Criminal Background check including:
 - NSOPW (national sex offender)
 - Child Care Restricted Registry (Joshua's List)
 - FBI fingerprint-based criminal history as required of the ODHS

Physical Requirements: Employee must be able to:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Stand, walk, bend over, kneel, stretch, grasp, reach overhead, stoop, twist, push, pull and move lift and/or carry 0 to 60 pounds to waist height. Must be able to regularly lift and/or move up to 20 pounds.
- See and read a computer terminal and printed matter with or without vision aids.
- Good hearing. Hear and understand speech at normal levels and on the telephone with or without hearing aids.
- Clear and understandable speaking ability.
- Enter data into a computer terminal, operate mainframe/personal computers, operate standard office equipment and operate communication devices.

- Operate a motor vehicle
- Repetitive motion especially with hands and arms, frequent keyboard use:
- Sit for extended periods of time.

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Employee:		Date:		