



WANTED: MHPSS Coordinator Athens

Starting Date Beginning of July 2024

The MHPSS project for children, teenagers and families in Athens has the objective to protect and promote psychosocial well-being of children and caregivers. The project is built on two main pillars: On one hand, to foster a safe space for children and teenagers encouraging resilience and mitigate psychological distress by promoting positive coping mechanisms and mental health awareness. On the other hand, to offer spaces for caregivers providing a trustworthy space to discuss about upbringing and how to best support their children, where they can speak freely without being judged or blamed nor imposing a single way of practicing parenting.

The activities of the project include: group sessions with caregivers at female only community centers, individual sessions with teenagers focusing on problem management and play and artistic sessions outside the camps in Attica region.

The Position of the MHPSS Coordinator is located within the MVI Athens Coordination Teams. You report directly to the MVI Greece Coordinator and the MVI Projectmanagement

Key responsibilities of the job include:

- Planning age and culturally appropriate group psychosocial support sessions for children and teenagers.
- Designing and delivering art and play sessions for children residing at the camps in the Attica region.
- Planning and leading sessions for caregivers from different cultural backgrounds on early childhood care and development, stress management, and positive discipline.
- Delivering individual support sessions for teenagers focused on problem management.
- Leading MHPSS team meetings, coordinating the team of volunteers and providing technical support.
- Monitoring and evaluating the project's goals and activities.
- Partnering with local and international NGOs to develop a multilayered support program.



MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS INTERNATIONAL

Essential criteria:

- Background in psychology, psychotherapist, psychiatry, occupational therapy and/or pedagogy. (required)
- At least two years of experience working with children, teenagers and/or families providing psychosocial support.
- Experience in providing support to vulnerable populations.
- Experience working with people from different cultural backgrounds and have cultural and self-awareness skills.
- Be able to foster co-regulation, encourage creativity and promote responsive relationships.
- Have emotional skills to deal with complex and stressful situations.
- Minimum availability for six months.
- Valid driving license.
- Have appropriate work boundaries and respect the Code of Conduct.
- Commitment and awareness in migration issues and refugee response within European borders.

What we offer:

- Working in an international environment
- Voluntary Contract 6 Month – one year
- 800€ monthly volunteer allowance
- Stand up for human rights

Interested? Then send your application and your CV to application@medical-volunteers.org