EVALUATION PROJECT DIRECTOR – EMSTAR Research, Inc

EMSTAR Research, Inc (www.emstarresearch.com), a program evaluation consulting firm based in Atlanta, is seeking a full-time Project Director. The Project Director will assume leadership and management of the evaluation of a SAMSHA-funded System of Care grant, and several related evaluations of systems of care in the state of Georgia – all focused on the prevention of out-of-home placements for emotionally disturbed youth.

The Project Director will supervise a team of staff to complete the following duties: monitoring longitudinal data collection, managing database development in collaboration with external developers, negotiating data sharing agreements with child-serving agencies, actively participating in interagency collaborative oversight groups, and analyzing and reporting (written and verbal) both periodic and summative findings. The successful applicant will have the following required qualities:

- A Ph.D. in social science, health science or related field
- More than two years experience with related job-tasks
- Strong background in research design and statistical analysis
- Extremely strong organizational skills to manage the operations of several complex projects
- Demonstrated ability to present research findings effectively to lay audiences
- Leadership skills to establish and maintain the direction of evaluation amid competing inputs from stakeholder groups
- Ability to manage work within budget and timelines

Also desirable but not required are:

- Substantive expertise in youth development, youth services from behavioral health, juvenile justice, or child welfare sectors, or the SAMSHA Systems of Care model
- Proficient in longitudinal data analysis methods
- Experience evaluating inter-organizational collaboration
- Experience managing multi-site evaluations
- Ability to develop relationships with new clients, and negotiate contracts

EMSTAR offers a competitive salary and benefits package commensurate with experience. Applicants should send a brief letter of interest and curriculum vitae to Dr. James Emshoff at jim@emstarresearch.com. This announcement will remain active until the position is filled.

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