



MICHAEL ANDERSON

CHILD MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST

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SKILLS

- Play therapy
- Program development
- Crisis management
- Family engagement
- Mental health advocacy
- Community collaboration

LANGUAGES

- English
- Spanish
- French

EDUCATION

**MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (MSW),
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY,
2012**

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized for excellence in service delivery by the State Department of Mental Health in 2019.
- Increased client engagement by 40% through the implementation of new outreach strategies.
- Authored a guidebook on child mental health strategies for educators, distributed statewide.

PROFILE

Innovative Child Mental Health Social Worker with extensive experience in therapeutic practices tailored for children and adolescents. Recognized for the ability to create safe and nurturing environments that facilitate emotional expression and healing. Expertise in developing and leading programs aimed at enhancing mental health literacy among families. Proficient in utilizing a range of therapeutic modalities, including play therapy and cognitive-behavioral approaches.

EXPERIENCE

CHILD MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST

Hope Springs Counseling Center

2016 - Present

- Designed and implemented innovative mental health programs for children and families.
- Conducted individual and group therapy sessions, utilizing evidence-based practices.
- Monitored and evaluated client progress, adapting treatment plans as necessary.
- Facilitated workshops for parents to enhance understanding of child mental health issues.
- Collaborated with educators to integrate mental health support within school environments.
- Participated in community events to promote mental health awareness and resources.

MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR

Child Advocacy Center

2014 - 2016

- Provided crisis intervention and support for children experiencing trauma.
- Developed and led support groups for children coping with grief and loss.
- Conducted assessments to identify mental health needs and recommend appropriate services.
- Engaged in multidisciplinary team meetings to discuss client progress and strategies.
- Created educational materials to inform families about mental health resources.
- Trained volunteers in child mental health awareness and support techniques.