







: Interviewer to fill in

Segment: Family Support

Job Role: Family support social worker

Interview checklist						
Role Description	ECD-related position specializing in supporting families (including children, the elderly and people of determination) with social problems, by conducting an assessment of their needs, causes and impact, and working with them or their related parties to identify, coordinate and manage appropriate solutions to enhance their personal, social, and economic competencies					
Typical roles and responsibilities	 Interview families, individually or in groups, to assess their situation and problems and determine the types of services required Provide therapy and mediation services, and facilitating group sessions to assist families to develop skills and insights needed to deal with and resolve their social and personal problems Assist with and develop skills to respond to issues arising from marital, familial and other relevant problems Compile all necessary records or reports for courts and other legal proceedings Help families deal with the many aspects of their issues – social, financial, and emotional 					
Key Competency	Science and practice supporting holistic early childhood development					
Proficiency Descriptor	 Understand impact of early years and importance of addressing child's holistic development Apply evidence-based strategies for promoting child and family development (incl. appropriate use of technology) Demonstrate understanding of individual differences and fluctuations in children's development and learning that must be responded to reflectively and appropriately Use appropriate tools and techniques to assess child development; organizing results so information can be used for further assessment and planning purposes in providing timely care and interventions Interact with kindness, warmth, and care, expressing respect, appreciation and understanding of individual needs, creating a healthy, welcoming, and age-appropriate environments for them Understand and demonstrate respect for processes, protocols, and procedures for protecting privacy and confidentiality of the children, respective families, and colleagues 					
Evidence for ability & knowledge	Please indicate evidence provided by candidate on proficiency from previous work experience, education & research					
Rating Scale	1 Adverse Evidence	2 No Evidence	3 Some Evidence	4 Sufficient Evidence	5 Strong Evidence	















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Key Competency	Child wellness: health, nutrition, and safety						
Proficiency Descriptor	 Familiar with science regarding healthy early childhood development and use of strategies with children and their parents to support physical growth, emotional well-being, and adequate nutrition Understand the influence of adverse childhood experiences on life-long health and social consequences Familiar with child protection laws, policies and protocols for reporting child neglect, abuse, exploitation or exposure to violence; taking adequate actions when children are under similar kinds of threat Aware of safety issues that affect children and factors and practices that reduce or increase risk to child safety and able to provide first aid / CPR procedures Promote home and community safety in partnership with parents across all spaces to prevent unintentional injuries, disease, or death of the child 						
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Key Competency	Family and community						
Proficiency Descriptor	 Understand the critical importance of the family environment (physical, social) for child's wellbeing overall development, functioning, and learning Aware of the importance of high-quality interactions between parents and the child, and between practitioners and parents; able to interact with parents in a timely, transparent, respectful, and accountable manner Establish relationships with parents based on mutual understanding, trust, and cooperation; using effective strategies to engage family members with diverse backgrounds using a variety of ways to communicate (e-mail, phone) Listen to and involve parents in all decisions regarding the child's safety, healthy development, and learning; creates opportunities for parents to strengthen their parental skills 						















	Aware of community resources to support child and family development and functioning and accordingly able to partner effectively with key stakeholders					
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Key Competency	Diversity and inclu	sion				
Proficiency Descriptor	 Treat all children and their families with fairness, empathy, understanding, dignity, and respect; understanding how discrimination based on diversity can impact lives and prospects of children Adapt practices, communication and services to reflect each child's and family's characteristics, strengths, beliefs and special needs Use different strategies to make each child and family feel welcomed and respected regardless of their background, language, socio-economic status, ability or gender Address own biases toward children, families and communities to avoid stereotypical or judgmental reactions and to advance child's development 					
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Key Competency	Professionalism and professional growth					
Proficiency Descriptor	 Identify proudly as an ECD professional and promote professional and personal integrity in all interactions, while aware of relevant professional code of conduct for their profession, if applicable Use professional competencies and standards for ECD practitioners as guidance for own professional development and as a continuous learning process 					















	 Familiar with effective and evidence-based strategies and tools for improving the quality of their practice and aware of Abu Dhabi's ECD practitioner competencies and standards Apply information from professional meetings, seminars, workshops, as well as print and digital resources to stay abreast of and deepen professional knowledge 					
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Key Competency	Coordination acro	ss practitioner role	s and professional s	settings		
Proficiency Descriptor	 Cooperate and coordinate with others to facilitate children's and families' access and transition to services to support overall child and family development and well-being Familiar with variety of practitioner roles across ECD services; cooperating and coordinating with them for joint planning, service delivery and evaluation of outcomes to support child and family development and well-being Demonstrate collegiality and is respectful of each other's functions, responsibilities, strengths, skills, and expertise when working with other practitioners 					
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Key Competency	UAE culture and heritage					
Proficiency Descriptor	 Aware of the UAE's heritage, culture, and Islamic values; demonstrating appreciation and respect in interactions Aware of the diverse cultures, religions, traditions, ethnicities, and races that live in the UAE, showing sensitivity while communicating and engaging with the UAE community and promoting core values 					















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