

Position Title: Pediatric Psychologist

Organization: Charity Fund “Voice of Generations”

Duty Station: One position each in Odesa, Mykolaiv, and Kherson

Reports to: Program Manager

Contract Duration: 6 months (with possibility of extension based on performance and funding)

Position Summary:

The Pediatric Psychologist will be responsible for delivering age-appropriate, trauma-informed psychosocial support services to conflict-affected children and their caregivers. The role includes individual and group counseling, psychological first aid, recreational therapy, and parental guidance. The Pediatric Psychologist will ensure that children’s mental health and wellbeing are prioritized in all interventions and that services are delivered in safe, inclusive, and child-friendly environments.

Key Responsibilities:

Child-Focused Psychosocial Support:

- Conduct individual and group counseling sessions for children experiencing psychological distress, behavioral changes, or trauma symptoms.
- Use play therapy, drawing, storytelling, and other child-friendly techniques to facilitate emotional expression and healing.
- Provide parenting support and psychoeducation sessions for caregivers to promote family-based care and child wellbeing.

Safety and Protection:

- Ensure services are delivered in line with child safeguarding standards and uphold confidentiality at all times.
- Identify cases requiring specialized intervention and refer children to clinical services or appropriate support systems.
- Integrate child protection principles into all psychological interventions.

Coordination and Referrals:

- Collaborate closely with PSS Specialists, Protection Officers, and Legal Advisor to ensure a comprehensive, coordinated response for children and families.

- Work in partnership with schools, social workers, and local authorities to identify children in need and establish appropriate referral pathways.

Monitoring, Reporting, and Evaluation:

- Maintain clear and confidential records of sessions, progress, and referrals.
- Distribute stress-relief kits for children during therapeutic sessions and record usage linked to activities.
- Support the M&E team with data collection, reporting, and success stories related to child-focused interventions.

Qualifications and Experience:

- University degree in psychology. If no formal “Pediatric Psychologist” degree exists, a general psychology degree is acceptable if the candidate has experience working directly with children.
- Minimum 1 year of professional experience providing psychological support to children, ideally in humanitarian or community-based settings.
- Demonstrated knowledge of trauma-informed care, child development, and age-appropriate mental health interventions.
- Strong interpersonal, communication, and facilitation skills, particularly with children and families.
- Commitment to child protection and safeguarding principles.
- Fluency in Ukrainian is required. English is an asset.