**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The Principal Social Worker is a Professional At-Will position who will supervise subordinate staff by planning, scheduling, coordinating and reviewing the delivery of social and related services; receives and reviews statistical field reports; analyses staffs’ performance and the effectiveness of delivery of services; identifies problem areas and recommends alternatives and modifications. Schedules field visits to inspect facilities and equipment and to determine work progress; prepares required reports; participates in budget preparations; collects, receives, analyzes and condenses field reports and prepares them for transmittal to the central office; plans and coordinates activities with other social service agencies; provides for the maintenance, security, inventory and physical controls of records, materials, supplies, equipment and facilities. Interprets rules, regulations, policies, procedures and directives; provides information, technical assistance and instruction to subordinates, chapters and communities; exercises supervision over and assigns tasks to subordinates. Coordinates and collaborates with resources in planning and implementing services to clientele. Maintains a caseload, such as child neglect and abuse cases involving investigations and substantiates the cases; determines eligibility in accordance with applicable requirements; prepares in-service training orientation and preventive education to staff and client population; reviews and screens incoming referrals and performs case assignments to social workers; participates in case staffing; attends staff meetings, conferences, and training.

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: (Education, Experience and Training)**

*Minimum Qualifications:*

- A Master’s degree in Social Work; and three (3) years of professional social service work experience, two (2) years of which must have been in a supervisory or lead capacity.

*Special Requirements:*

- Possess a valid state driver’s license. Incumbent must obtain a Navajo Nation Vehicle Operator’s Permit within 90 days of date of hire.
- A favorable background investigation.

*(To receive full credit for education, certification, or licensure, transcripts, copies of degrees, certificates, and other appropriate documents must be submitted along with employment application.)*

*Special Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:*

Knowledge of the theories, principles, practices and techniques of the social work field, knowledge of the Navajo Nation Tribal codes, court systems and their applications, knowledge of social casework objectives, principles, methods and caseload management and organization, knowledge of human behavior and development and psychological defense mechanisms, knowledge of the principles and techniques of supervision, knowledge of counseling and interviewing techniques, knowledge of applicable Tribal, federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, statutes, rules, regulations, policies and procedures. Skill in communicating effectively in both oral and written forms, skill in establishing and maintaining effective interpersonal relationship, skill in preparing clear, accurate, and comprehensive case records, skill in analyzing data and drawing valid conclusions, skill in working independently with little supervision. Ability to perform complex and specialized casework services with considerable independence, ability to provide leadership and consultation to other social workers in casework concepts and methodology.

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