MOBILE OUTREACH CLINIC FOR AUTISM: SUPPORTING FAMILIES IN RURAL WEST TEXAS



ABOUT MOCA

The Mobile Outreach Clinic for Autism (MOCA) brings behavior analytic supports and services to rural communities in West Texas with a focus on parent-implemented interventions, as well as working with other identified caretakers (including educators), to provide interventions to their child in order to address skill deficits impacting their independence. This service is grant funded and is at no cost to the families or educators.

Based on current data from families we have helped, skills that are commonly addressed are:

- Functional Communication Training
- Functional routines
- Transitions between activities
- Emotional recognition and regulation

MATERIALS FOR CONSIDERATION WHEN DEVELOPING BUDGET

- Vehicle / travel trailer / motorhome for travel and/or clinic services (capital equipment)
- Travel expenses (gas, per diem)
- Vehicle/travel trailer yearly maintenance and insurance
- Designated location to set up clinic (this is typically provided for free by community members (schools, churches, etc.)
- Locked Storage for transporting HIPAA/FERPA information during travel to/from
- · Hi-speed internet hot spot
- Computer
- Assessment materials
- Intervention supplies
- 2-3 staff travel each time
 - 1 BCBA
 - 1 2 Graduate Research Assistants



FUNDING

Funded through a state grant covers:

- salaries for staff (PI (5%), BCBA (100%), 3 GRAs (100%)
- materials and supplies for assessment and intervention travel expences
- does not fund capital equipment



RECRUITMENT

Collaboration with:

- Schools
- Regional Education Service Centers
- Mailing Lists
- Social media



IMPLEMENTATION

- Mix of face to face & telehealth
- Zoom/phone intake
- Complete as much as possible prior to scheduled assessment
- Conduct assessment(s) face to face
- Program plan & schedule telehealth intervention sessions
- Schedule additional face to face, if necessary

For more information:

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