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SOS BC Adds Talent to BRAIN TRAINING Program for Autism

Surrey, British Columbia. SOS Children's Village BC is pleased to announce the addition of Christine Peterson, MA to their Parent Driven Autism Services team as Behavioral Consultant and Clinical Counselor.

Christine states that she feels privileged to be joining such a fine organization which is known for focussing on helping challenged children and families in a comprehensive fashion.

Doug West, Manager of the Parent Driven Autism Services states "Christi is the perfect fit for SOS as she has vast experience with special needs and is open to a variety of traditional and non-traditional interventions."

About Christine Peterson: Christine has been working with special needs since 2001 in a variety of roles for both private and public organizations throughout the GVRD. The past 9 years Christine has worked as a Behavior Consultant delivering services to families with children on the Autism Spectrum. Christine has her Masters in Integrated Studies focusing on Counselling Psychology and Applied Behavioral Analysis.

About Parent Driven Autism Services: This program will provide neurofeedback in conjunction with counselling and cognitive remediation to create a powerfully therapeutic effect. Neurofeedback is a non-invasive training program which teaches the brain to regulate itself better. As the brain learns to do this, symptoms such as ADHD and anxiety, begin to subside, leaving the child calmer, more thoughtful, and better able to manage their emotional state.

As well, Parent Driven Autism Services will provide parents with more ability to pick and choose which services they want for their child. Every child and family has their own unique set of circumstances and challenges. It makes sense for parents to have more choices as opposed to "one size fits all" programming. As well, we have reduced management and administrative costs for parents freeing up funds for more one to one therapeutic work.

About SOS Children's Village B.C. SOS Children's Villages is the world's largest non-governmental, non-profit child welfare organization. It has existed for over 60 years with presence in 133 nations. British Columbia is home to the only SOS Children's Village in Canada. SOS Children's Village B.C. provides community-based family care services to improve and sustain the quality of life for foster children and foster families through a variety of programs that address social development and healing. Headquartered in Surrey, the organization actively creates opportunities, programs and services to increase stability and continuity for foster children and their foster parents.



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