



In an effort to provide support to children with special needs and their families, JCASG offers the opportunity for parents to receive therapeutic services through Kenosis Counseling Center, Inc.

Many families are stretched emotionally thin when raising a special needs child. Daily routines, balancing schedules for appointments, meeting the needs of other children in the family as well as attending to marriage and work expectations, often put chronic strain on families of special needs children.

JCASG will help cover the cost of 6 counseling sessions for any interested family, couple or individual who is a resident of Johnson County.

Melissa Russell-Plunkett, MS, NCC, LMHCA brings a diverse set of both personal and professional experiences to her work with clients. She earned her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from nearby Franklin College in 2005 and obtained her Master's Degree in Mental Health Counseling from Capella University. As a mother of two children with severe autism, she understands the struggle of caring for and advocating for special needs individuals. Melissa's sweet, casual and calm demeanor brings an authenticity to counseling which helps clients to see the humor in the hecticness of humanity. She provides an insightful dynamic to those seeking validation, acceptance, and empowerment.

Likewise, Dan Miller, MA, MA also has personal as well as professional experiences with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Dan's oldest adult son was diagnosed with Asperger's at age ten. As such, Dan and his wife have been involved in numerous IEP meetings and worked with Johnson County Special Services to advocate for their son. Dan received his Master's Degree in Applied Behavior Analysis from Ball State University in 2014. In 2018, Dan received his second Master's Degree in Mental Health Counseling from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. Dan has more than one thousand direct hours working as a behavior therapist in two different autism centers in Central Indiana. He also has experience providing family counseling and support for families of individuals with ASD. Dan is easygoing, pleasant, and most pleased to bring humor into counseling sessions. As a parent and practitioner, Dan knows the value of empowering families and providing a supportive and affirming counseling experience.

Melissa and Dan are available to work with individuals, couples and/or families. If you would like to schedule a time with either to conduct an initial assessment of your family's situation, please call Kenosis Counseling Center to make an appointment.

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