



A Kid's Place

CASA Program and Child Advocacy Center
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TITLE: Forensic Interviewer

This is a 10- hour per week hourly position with work hours to be determined. Occasional evening or weekend hours may be required.

JOB SUMMARY: The Forensic Interviewer works as part of a multidisciplinary team responding to child sexual abuse and physical abuse allegations. The Interviewer conducts child-focused, forensically-sound, legally defensible forensic interviews of alleged child victims referred to A Kid's Place. All forensic interviews are conducted according to current A Kid's Place Child Advocacy Center Program Protocol and interview guidelines as well as NCA standards. The Interviewer testifies as a fact and expert witness in Court as requested through subpoena.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conducting a forensically sound interview focused on obtaining accurate information which can then be utilized to support any subsequent system or court actions necessary to secure the child's safety and well-being and facilitate justice in criminal proceedings.
- Meet with investigators prior to and following the interview to discuss the case.
- Participate in on-site and video-teleconferenced peer review by submitting own interviews for review and by providing critique of others' forensic interviews.
- Remain current on proper forensic interviewing practices and guidelines and maintain expert awareness of current trends, research, and developments in the field of forensic interviewing, trauma, sexual abuse, offender pathology and other pertinent topics.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Master's degree or Bachelor's degree in psychology, social work, human development or a related field.
2. 2 years of significant experience working with children, preferably in an advocacy, mental health, counseling, education, or other closely related field. Or, a combination of education, training, skills and experience that would ensure the effective performance of the duties of the job.
3. Ability to engage children of all ages in an interview-type setting and mediate with parents in crisis.
4. Experience testifying in Court proceedings, ability to withstand scrutiny and confrontation.
5. Knowledge of child protection and law enforcement child abuse investigative procedures. Emphasis in sexual abuse investigations preferred, ability to communicate and function within these systems.

6. Sensitivity to the cultural and developmental needs of individual children.
7. Effective communication skills, both oral and written.
8. Must complete and pass a criminal background investigation.
9. Candidate must be available to attend an out-of-town forensic interview training course as scheduled.
10. Candidates' knowledge of suggestibility, memory, styles of questioning, language acquisition, development issues, and validity of allegations and competency requirements highly preferred.
11. Two years directly related work experience in child abuse investigations or child abuse treatment and experience in forensic interviewing of children is preferred.
12. Must ensure strict confidentiality of agency and client information.

Application deadline is August 10, 2011

Send resume/CV, references, and cover letter to:

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