



POSITIONS AVAILABLE: Mental Health Clinician

The Children's Advocacy Center of Suffolk County (CAC) unites public, private and community partners to promote safety, healing and justice for children exposed to violence & abuse and their families.

The CAC works closely with an array of agencies to coordinate high quality investigations and assessments of alleged abuse; provide support and services to children and families, offer specialized training for a diverse range of professionals and to prevent child abuse in our community.

THE CAC SEEKS MASTER'S LEVEL MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS TO SUPPORT CHILDREN AND NON-OFFENDING CAREGIVERS IN CASES OF ALLEGED CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE, PHYSICAL ABUSE AND EXPOSURE TO VIOLENCE.

Candidates will receive training in evidence-based mental health interventions including the Child and Family Traumatic Stress Intervention or CFTSI (an evidence-based early intervention for children 7 to 18 years old that reduces traumatic stress reactions and the onset of post-traumatic stress disorder) and Problematic Sexual Behavior-Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (PSB-CBT) for children 7 to 12 years old.

**At this time, the Children's Advocacy Center of Suffolk County is providing most services remotely. The Mental Health Clinician will likely begin as a primarily remote position, transitioning to a hybrid role as CAC programming returns to the Center.*

Responsibilities include:

- Establish a supportive relationship with caregivers by initiating and maintaining regular contact (often beginning with a visit to the CAC);
- Contribute to Multidisciplinary Teams (MDTs) by assisting caregivers as a support, liaison and advocate before, during, and after team meetings;
- Assist caregivers in identifying mechanisms to best support themselves, their child(ren) and other non-offending family members;
- Assist caregivers with referrals and access to mental health, housing, safety planning, medical and legal services, as appropriate;
- Provide trauma symptom assessment, Child and Family Traumatic Stress Intervention (CFTSI) and other mental health support services to child victims and their caregivers;
- Provide Problematic Sexual Behavior-Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (PSB-CBT) for children and their caregivers referred due to the child's own problematic sexual behavior;
- Maintain ongoing relationships with on-site and off-site partner agencies;
- Attend all staff meetings, case reviews, in-service training and other meetings, as required;
- Other duties, as required.

Qualifications:

- **MASTERS DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY, SOCIAL WORK OR COUNSELING IS REQUIRED; LICSW or LMHC PREFERRED**
- **Fluency in Spanish, Haitian Creole, Chinese, Portuguese, or Cape Verdean Creole desired**
- Working knowledge of dynamics of child abuse and neglect, parent-child dynamics and child development essential
- Resourcefulness and working knowledge of MA Department of Children and Families, criminal justice response to child abuse, CAC and MDT model, and familiarity with Suffolk County social service, medical, mental health, domestic violence, civil legal and community services/agencies helpful
- Passion for CAC mission and commitment to addressing the impacts of violence and trauma
- Commitment to understanding the impact of systemic inequities and how systemic inequality affects the CAC's work and the children and families served
- Commitment to creating and maintaining an environment in which families' diverse backgrounds, identities, strengths, and challenges are respected and valued
- Strong, effective verbal and written communication skills
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office

Excellent benefits package.

The Children's Advocacy Center of Suffolk County strives to build an organization and a community where people can bring their whole selves to work and are inspired to do their best work every day. We are committed to equal employment opportunity regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy and pregnancy-related conditions, or any other characteristic protected by law. We believe that diverse teams make the strongest teams, and we encourage people from all backgrounds to apply.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS WHO POSSESS THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS SHOULD SUBMIT:

1) a letter of interest with salary requirements and 2) resume through the online application by email at info@suffolkcac.org

If emailing, please include subject line: Mental Health Clinician Position

Application Deadline: Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and accepted until the positions are filled

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

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