

The Child Advocacy Center of Columbia and Greene Counties, located in Catskill and Hudson, New York is looking for a Therapist. Description of job duties and qualifications as follows:

Therapist will develop and facilitate therapeutic services and provide advocacy for Forensic Interviews ensuring that all services provided are culturally responsive and trauma-informed.

Child Advocacy Center Therapist duties include:

- Provide evidence based trauma-informed therapy to child victims of crime and abuse and their family members/caregivers in individual and group settings;
- Provide crisis intervention services via phone and in person;
- Conduct client intake and ongoing assessments using standardized measures, assessment tools and interventions, maintain client related records;
- Respond to client related phone calls and correspondence to support treatment and provide medical and legal advocacy, participate in case conferencing;
- Provide clinical expertise to volunteers and staff responding to the 24 hour crisis hotline:
- Referrals for clients to enhance support and safety;
- Aid in grant report documentation including data collection;
- Engage in community outreach events to identify and engage hard to reach and underserved populations.

The Therapist will participate in training and clinical and peer supervision to enhance their ability to provide direct services and support non-clinical staff in direct support service provision.

The Therapist will have strong knowledge of child welfare system, community agencies, victim advocacy and understanding of partnerships with multidisciplinary teams to be utilized to assist victims of child abuse and their family members and caregivers. Knowledge of crime victims' rights, mental health and legal systems and experience working with adults and children with social, emotional and behavioral differences. An understanding of cultural family differences and values, and ability to remain non-judgmental is essential.

The Therapist will have good public speaking, oral and written communication skills, which include the use of smartphones and computers.

Requires good interpersonal, listening, communication skills and a broad knowledge of strength based approaches to help empower families.

Qualifications: Master's Level License in the mental health field with experience in specialized trauma-informed mental health services for child victims of abuse and their caregivers.

This position is 75 hours per week, Monday thru Friday. Weekends and evenings may be necessary pending scheduling of Forensic Interviews, Medical Examinations and Hot-Line Coverage. Traditional office hours are 8:00/8:30am to 4:30/5:00pm. Salary competitive and commensurate with experience.

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