



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Position: Youth/Family Advocate - Full Time

Salary: \$16.34/hr with generous benefits

Start Date: ASAP

Job Function: Applicants must be able to navigate stairs, periods of sitting. Standing and movement required. vehicle for travel throughout the county and/or transporting clients as needed and valid driver's license is required. Participation in a paid rotation of after-hours on-call (weeknight, weekend, and holiday), with other client services staff is required. Must be able to respond in person to Cayuga Medical Center in Ithaca, NY within 45 minutes.

People of color and/or bilingual people strongly encouraged to apply

The Youth/Family Advocate will provide support, advocacy, information and referrals and case management services to sexually abused youth and non-offending family members who receive services through our Child Advocacy Center as well as other agency access points. The Youth/Family Advocate will support youth and families during and after investigative interviews with law enforcement and child protection, will help access necessary services for the youth and family and will provide ongoing support services.

The Youth/Family Advocate will work collaboratively with law enforcement, child protective services, prosecution, medical personnel, mental health, school staff and others on behalf of the child and family and will accompany youth and families to hospital-based sexual assault exams as needed as well as to court proceedings.

QUALIFICATIONS

Required

- One year of counseling and/or advocacy experience in human services or youth serving organization setting
- Ability to work independently as well as in a team, with a willingness to appreciate different points of view and problem solve in a constructive manner.
- Commitment to working from an anti-oppression, harm-reduction, and strengths based trauma-responsive approach
- Sensitive to the impact of sexual and domestic violence in diverse and marginalized communities
- Good communication, organizational and time management skills
- Ability to establish and maintain effective professional working relationships
- Flexible schedule

- Valid NYS driver's license, clean driving record, and use of car

Desired

- BA in social work or related field desired. Relevant professional experience considered.
- Knowledge of child sexual abuse, sexual assault and domestic violence issues and community & legal systems

Excellent Benefits Package Includes:

Generous financial contribution (\$6,675 prorated to start date) towards our cafeteria health benefits program (includes medical and dental insurance or expense reimbursements); generous time off (2 weeks vacation the first year increasing thereafter, 10-12 paid holidays, 5 personal days, sick days); and retirement contribution after 3 years of employment.