



Judicial Council of Georgia Administrative Office of the Courts

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Safe Care Project Coordinator via contract

Job Summary

The Administrative Office of the Court (AOC) seeks to contract for services for the implementation of a newly grant-funded project through the Douglas County Juvenile Court. This court is the project site for the Quality Improvement Center for Collaborative Community Court Teams' (QIC-CCCT) time-limited initiative to combat the complex issues involved with mothers and children exposed to opioid use.

The AOC seeks an enthusiastic and self-motivated Contractor to engage in cross agency collaboration with birthing hospitals, child welfare and behavioral health professionals, courts, public health agencies, Medicaid, substance use and mental health providers, early education providers, child care providers, and other stakeholders to assure an environment supportive of maternal health and well-being during pregnancy, access to substance use treatment during and after pregnancy, and peer support during pregnancy and after birth.

The Contractor must be qualified to manage cases assigned from the Court, collect and interpret data, implement policy related to DFCS Policy 19.27 "Plan of Safe Care for Infants Prenatally Exposed to Substances or a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder" (Plan of Safe Care), evaluate results, revise policy, refine practice and teach stakeholders both policy and practices to improve outcomes for children and families with children born exposed to substance use.

Essential Duties

- Provide front-end leadership by engaging all necessary stakeholders to ensure the goals of the QIC-CCCT grant will be implemented successfully during the grant period. These goals include:
 - Increasing the percentage of substance-using pregnant women who seek and receive regular and appropriate prenatal care.
 - Increasing the percentage of substance-using pregnant women who receive an appropriate plan of safe care prior to delivery hospital admission.
 - Increasing the quality, amount, and consistency of family-centered services to substance-affected newborns and their families through voluntary or court-ordered interventions.
 - Creating a model program designed to be replicated throughout the state
- Engage and facilitate collaboration between Ob-gyn practices, birthing hospital, behavioral health and peer support providers to assure access to substance use treatment during pregnancy.
- Implement the Plan of Safe Care policy and practices in Douglas County for purposes of potential discussion of replication across the State.
- Support State and community efforts to provide a safe environment for pregnant women with substance use disorders to receive medical and substance use treatment.

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- Propose modifications to policy and practice based upon best practices, data collected and experience.
- Teach stakeholders on implementation of Plan of Safe Care, policy and best practices.
- Manage cases of children in Douglas County identified under the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016 to assure quality Plans of Safe Care, appropriate medical and developmental services for children, and access to services for parents with substance use and mental health disorders.
- Provide leadership to the State and local team members through excellent speaking, writing, and organization to meet these goals.

Education and Experience

- Master's Degree in one of the following fields: Social Work, Public Health, Health Care, Counseling, Education, Criminal Justice, Public Administration, and Community Development
- Knowledge of child development and the impact of abuse and neglect
- Experience working in child welfare, courts, education, criminal justice, behavioral health, public health, health care or public administration
- Have excellent speaking, writing and organizational skills
- Self-motivation and the ability to set priorities and manage multiple simultaneous tasks under minimal supervision in an organized, effective and efficient manner while meeting deadlines and maintaining positive relationships over time
- Experience effectively building relationships with multiple stakeholders from different professional sectors

Salary Details:

Grant-funded contract position at an hourly rate to be negotiated based on level of experience and current compensation. Project is currently funded for up to three years.

To apply:

Please submit resume to resume@georgiacourts.gov by **August 24, 2018**. Include in the subject line: **Safe Care Project Coordinator via contract**

Applicants who require accommodations for the interview process should contact resume@georgiacourts.gov or call 404-463-0638. The JC/AOC will attempt to meet reasonable accommodation requests whenever possible.