# Champaign County Family Court Position Description

# Job Title: G.R.A.C.E. Coordinator

# **Essential Duties and Responsibilities**

- I. Formulation of Recommendations for G.R.A.C.E. Youth and Families
  - 1. Facilitates all G.R.A.C.E. MDT meetings.
  - 2. Completes a CANS assessment for each family at identification and closure of the case.
    - a. Convenes a meeting to include all providers for CANS input OR contacts each current service provider for identified G.R.A.C.E. youth to obtain feedback for the CANS assessment.
  - 3. Rates CAPM Family Assessment factors for youth and families who do not have a Family Assessment within 90 days of G.R.A.C.E. identification.
  - 4. Makes formal, written referrals for services identified through G.R.A.C.E.
  - 5. Completes trauma timelines or social histories for GR.A.C.E. youth as needed.
  - 6. Conducts placement searches for G.R.A.C.E. youth as needed (for youth not in the custody of CCDJFS).
- II. Systems Change Management
  - 1. Identify and prioritize system issues and change opportunities that impact the success of the Program.
  - 2. Coordinate and facilitate the Program and partnerships between systems, community, the Court, and other stakeholders working with dually involved youth.
    - a. In conjunction with committee leadership, plan agendas, attend and support the Executive Committee and subcommittees in accomplishing tasks.
    - b. Integrate the work of the subcommittees into the overall Program.
  - 3. Serve as G.R.A.C.E. Program Liaison
    - a. Gather G.R.A.C.E. data from service providers including, but not limited to, schools, SACWIS/CCDJFS, and the Court during involvement in G.R.A.C.E. and for one year post G.R.A.C.E. identification;
    - b. Maintain this data in the database.
    - c. Use the data to compile data reports highlighting quantitative and qualitative findings on a routine basis.
    - d. Identify policies, protocols, and practice changes that lead to better functioning of the Program and improved outcomes for youth consistent with the goals of the Program.
    - e. Communicate with leadership (Court and CCDJFS) about practice changes and daily problem solving.
    - f. Review existing protocols and policies for revisions or clarification and provide recommendations to the Executive Committee on the direction of the Program.
- III. Communications Strategy Development and Implementation
  - 1. Establish and maintain communication strategy with the Executive Committee and subcommittees so that all are aware and informed of the progress of the Program.
  - 2. Work with schools to identify youth at risk of truancy, but who are not yet truant, and provide services to those youth.

- a. This would include home visits to ask about/assess services needed, particularly concrete services or problem solving around barriers, such as transportation;
- b. May include facilitating MDT's for these youth until FCFC can open.
- 3. Schedules all G.R.A.C.E. meetings.
  - a. Sends invitations and sets up virtual inks.
- 4. Attends all Court hearings and any SAR/CCDJFS meeting for open G.R.A.C.E. youth.

## Knowledge, Qualifications, Skills, and Abilities

- 1. Possesses knowledge of juvenile justice and child welfare policy and practice.
- 2. Has experience working with both government and community-based systems and organizations.
- 3. Can effectively communicate orally and in writing.
- 4. Possesses strong facilitation skills.
- 5. Has excellent time management skills and is able to prioritize multiple demands and set priorities that best serve the Program.
- 6. Exhibits openness, creativity, and flexibility.
- 7. Is able to gain inclusion and input of key stakeholders.
- 8. Is able to work independently and willing to identify issues and propose solutions.
- 9. Is able to work with leaders with, at times, differing priorities, to build solutions that benefit our children and maintain neutrality while working toward the best solutions.
- 10. Has a strong desire to positively impact the lives of children and families.

## **Education and Experience**

The ideal candidate will have at least two years' experience in social services.

### **Annual Salary/Work Hours**

Salary is commensurate with experience.

The normal hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. This position may require some work beyond normal work hours.

### **Licensure or Certification Requirements**

State motor vehicle operator's license

### **Application/Resume**

Interested candidates should submit a resume and references to Magistrate/Director of Court Services at <u>mscott@ccfamct.us</u>.

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