

**CATAWBA COUNTY GOVERNMENT
invites applications for the position of:**



Social Worker III (Forensic Interviewer)

SALARY: \$20.30 Hourly
 \$42,221.90 Annually

OPENING DATE: 11/30/18

CLOSING DATE: 12/14/18 11:59 PM

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

Do you have a deep passion for the welfare of children? Do you desire to work in an environment that promotes strong collaboration and teamwork with community partners? Catawba County Child Advocacy and Protection Center (CAPC) is recruiting for a Social Worker III (Forensic Interviewer) who will conduct forensic interviews of children, adolescents, and vulnerable adults regarding alleged maltreatment and/or witnessing of violent crimes. In addition, this position will play a key role in advancing the field of forensic interviewing through research and professional activities. Typical work hours are 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday – Friday with occasional evening or weekend work required.

Master's or Bachelor's degree in Social Work strongly preferred.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conduct forensic interviews of children, adolescents, and vulnerable adults regarding alleged maltreatment and/or witnessing violent crimes, at the Children's Advocacy and Protection Center.
- Facilitate multidisciplinary team meetings and collaboration among investigators, reducing the incidence of multiple interviews, and minimizing any potential re-traumatization.
- Prepare for and provide testimony on the Forensic Interview
- Expand knowledge through professional writing, reading research, and actively participating in a variety of professional development activities.
- Increase awareness of child abuse by conducting community education and outreach as directed.
- Contribute to a positive working environment, and promote the satisfaction of multidisciplinary team members and adult learners.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's degree from an accredited school of social work; or
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited school of social work and one year of experience; or
- Four-year degree in a human service field with two years of social work experience; or
- Four-year degree in a non-human service field with three years of social work experience; or
- An equivalent combination of education and experience.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Valid Driver's license with safe driving record
- Proven ability to forge a connection with others under challenging circumstances.
- Demonstrated understanding of child and adolescent development and maltreatment.
- Demonstrated understanding of the legal system.
- Experience working with multidisciplinary professionals from child protection, law enforcement, court systems, and related community services.
- Experience working with culturally, ethnically, developmentally, and socio-economically diverse children, adolescents, and vulnerable adults.

- Strong communication skills in interpersonal, written and multimedia channels.
- Experience in public speaking.
- Ability to balance multiple priorities and successfully complete short- and long-term projects independently.
- Patience, flexibility and a proven ability to manage stressful situations.
- This is considered Light Work, lifting up to 20 pounds required.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**PREFERENCES:**

- Master's or Bachelor's degree in Social Work
- Experience in interviewing caretakers, children, and other sources soliciting specific details of child maltreatment to obtain thorough and comprehensive assessment of alleged child maltreatment

Employment Opportunities

Located in the heart of the foothills of North Carolina, Catawba County Government offers many exciting opportunities to learn and grow in a career while making a difference in the lives of citizens in our community. We are bound together by a philosophy of a strong work ethic, compassion, diversity, and teamwork in a supportive, progressive work culture. Catawba County is a great place to live and work!

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<http://www.catawbacountync.gov>

Position #00812
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Social Worker III (Forensic Interviewer) Supplemental Questionnaire

- * 1. What is your interest in this particular position?
- * 2. How do maintain/enhance your professional skills? What continued education or training have you received in the last 12 months?
- * 3. What do you think are the top 5 skills a facilitator of a team meeting needs to have? Give an example how you have used these skills while facilitating a meeting.
- * Required Question