



Forensic Interviewer

Location: Albany, Oregon
Reports To: Clinical Manager
Status: Full-Time (Non-Exempt)

At ABC House, our people are passionate about breaking the cycle of child abuse and neglect by supporting children as they find their voice, and helping children and families heal and thrive. Our core services include forensic medical exams and interviews to help identify child maltreatment, trauma counseling and family support services, and prevention and awareness education for the community. We envision a world in which every child has the opportunity to be happy, healthy and safe; parents and caregivers understand the impact of their actions on children; and our community actively and vocally stands up to child abuse and neglect. Join our team to help make a positive impact in a child's life today!

ABC House offers a culture of respect, teamwork, integrity and pride as well as competitive wages based on experience and a generous benefits package including 100% employer paid health insurance for the employee, including vision and dental.

Primary Responsibilities

The Forensic Interviewer is a key member of the ABC House child abuse assessment team and provides forensically-sound and evidence-based forensic interviews of children referred with concerns of child maltreatment. The Forensic Interviewer also helps coordinate the peer review process for Linn and Benton county interviewers and provides training in interviewing skills for community partners. Duties include but are not limited to:

- Forensic interviewing
 - Provide forensically-sound and evidence-based forensic interviews of children referred for concerns of child maltreatment, including gathering social history from client caregiver and preparation of final report.
 - Regularly participate in multidisciplinary team case review meetings.
 - Comply with lawfully-issued subpoenas and provide fact and expert witness testimony as required.
 - Participate in peer review and continuing education on a regular basis.
 - Maintain collaborative working relationship with multidisciplinary partners, including law enforcement and child protective services investigators.
- Peer review and training
 - In partnership with other ABC House forensic interviewers, help coordinate monthly peer review process for forensic interviewers in Linn and Benton counties.
 - Remain abreast of current research in forensic interview best practices and child abuse issues, and regularly disseminate to forensic interviewers and other members of the county multidisciplinary teams as appropriate.
 - Provide trainings to multidisciplinary team partners in effective interviewing techniques and related issues.

- Interview program support
 - Assist with monitoring partner forensic interviewer compliance with ABC House interviewing requirements, and maintain records accordingly.
 - Track loaned forensic interview recordings to ensure their timely return to ABC House.
 - Operate forensic interview recording equipment and trouble-shoot as needed.
- Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications and skills include but are not limited to:

- Successful candidate will possess one of the following:
 - Master’s degree in social work, psychology, child development or related field and two years of experience working with children;
 - Bachelor’s degree and four years of experience working with children; or
 - Past employment as law enforcement officer or Department of Human Services child welfare worker.
- Prior experience and training in forensic interviewing of children. Past work with a children’s advocacy center preferred.
- Demonstrated experience in building rapport with children and adults potentially impacted by trauma.
- Knowledge of child maltreatment issues, trauma in children, and trauma informed care, and strong research skills.
- Experience conducting professional trainings or facilitating preferred.
- Excellent verbal, written and organizational skills.
- Licensed, insured driver with access to reliable transportation.
- Ability to successfully complete criminal background check and child abuse registry check.
- Commitment to the Vision, Mission and Purpose of ABC House.

Compensation: Dependent upon experience. Excellent benefits package offered, including 100% employer-paid medical, dental and vision insurance for the employee, EAP program, paid holidays and a generous paid time off plan.

To apply: All qualified applicants interested in this position are encouraged to apply by emailing a resume, cover letter and list of three professional references to hr@abchouse.org. Please include “Forensic Interviewer” in the subject line. Position will remain open until filled. No calls please.

ABC House is an equal opportunity employer committed to respectful, quality care to children and their non-offending family members from diverse racial, ethnic, religious, and non-traditional family forms. ABC House is a drug-free work place. Under the provisions of the Immigration and Reform Act of 1986, the candidate will be required to provide evidence of identity and eligibility for employment.