

EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATOR

The Early Intervention Branch of Loudoun County's Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services is seeking an energetic developmental specialist to provide special education and case management for families with infants and toddlers (from birth to three years of age) with disabilities or developmental delays. The employee will provide for the needs of infants and toddlers who have delays in play skills and cognition, language development, and physical development, as well as needs in the areas of sensory skills and emotional development. The candidate will implement early intervention services using coaching and consultative models within the typical environments of young children, in keeping with Federal and State Part C regulations under IDEA. Specific duties include: developmental screening and evaluation practices, interpreting results of developmental assessments to families, demonstrating appropriate activities to achieve outcomes on the IFSP in conjunction with the families, and interpreting procedural safeguards and rights relative to federal and state requirements. The candidate will provide service coordination (case management) to families. Case management includes identifying and coordinating community resources and services to enable the child and family to receive maximum benefit from early intervention services and facilitating the development and implementation of the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Additional duties include completing necessary paperwork, coordinating with multiple therapy providers, including contractors, and scheduling meetings with families. The candidate will demonstrate thorough knowledge of infant and toddler development as well as Part C federal and state practices. The candidate will demonstrate an active commitment to positive team dynamics and implementation of early intervention services within a coaching model, interact with families and team members in an affirmative and timely manner, and maintain all records and documentation according to federal, state, and agency policies and procedures. The candidate will contribute to public awareness campaigns and other duties as assigned. Requires Bachelor's degree in early childhood special education and three years of directly related experience. Must also obtain certifications as an Early Intervention Professional as well as an Early Intervention Service Coordinator by the Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, and applicable VDOE credentialing within the specialty area. Master's Degree is desirable. Experience in an early intervention system is preferred. Bilingual skills are desirable. Employment is contingent upon successful completion of a criminal background check, credit check, driving record check and TB test. Must have a valid driver's license in Virginia or regional state of residence. Hiring Range: 46,304-\$67,567. Recruitment #17-S355-0024. Closes: 2/23/2017. Visit our on-line employment center at www.loudoun.gov for more information and to apply. EOE