

First Steps • Healthy Families Grandparent Connection

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Now hiring for the following position...

The Family Support Specialist (FSS)

Summary: The Family Support Specialist/Home Visitor (FSS/HV) is responsible for initiating and maintaining regular (weekly, bi-monthly, monthly and quarterly home visits) and longterm (up to five years) contact/support with families. This activity will occur primarily within the family's home and will last at least one hour. The interventions should be family-centered, strength-based, and directed at: establishing a trusting relationship; assisting in strengthening the parent-child relationship; assisting parents in improving their skills to optimize the home environment; improving the family support system; and increasing the family's ability to problem solve and assume the role of advocate for themselves and their children. The activities may also include identifying and referring for contact/appointments at other supportive agencies, including health care appointments. The FSS/HV will also be responsible for assisting the family in establishing goals and a plan for accomplishment of those goals, as well as the assessment of the normal growth and development of the target child.

Minimum Qualifications

- *Bachelor's degree in human services field preferred but not required.
- *Minimum high school diploma or equivalent
- *Must have experience working with or providing services to children and families;
- *ability to establish trusting relationships
- *acceptance of individual differences
- *knowledge of infant and child development
- *open to reflective practice

Desired Qualifications

*Adhere to and maintain fidelity to the Healthy Families America program Best Practice Standards which includes but it not limited to weekly 1.5 hour Reflective Supervisor; maintenance of confidential participant files on paper and electronically; report concerns of child abuse/neglect; timely documentation of services.

*Provide family transportation services when required to medical and social service appointments;

If interested, please forward cover letter and resume to: lateashia@cc4children.org