

VOLUNTEER POSITION

Title:

- Way Home Care Associate

Tasks:

- Work with director to become trained in working with children
- Assist patients with childcare during outpatient meetings
- Assess needs for children
- Attend trainings regarding ACE's

Purpose:

- This will give us and the volunteer a better understanding of knowledge to work with the children
- The patient's will be able to take time to themselves and focus on their recovery
- Work with director to make sure the needs of children and mothers are provided
- This will give the outpatient therapist extra hands to be able to support their patients
- This will give us and the volunteer an understanding of what the children go through and how to best handle their situation

Results:

- This position will increase the amount of care for the children, as well as being sure of the mothers getting the help they need to be better. It will help save lives, and bring awareness, even bringing comfort to the families of the those with a Substance Use Disorder, knowing that the patients and children are being cared for in a loving way. Also, giving ASAC a chance to support patients, and allow individuals to get the treatment that is needed by reducing stigma and worry about their children.

Suggested activities:

- Lead games with children
- Assist children with arts and crafts
- Assist children with playing games
- Be a team leader

Measures:

- We will measure the success of this position by measuring the patients and their increased time in treatment due to having childcare, also by the amount of children wanting to come.

Qualifications:

- A high school diploma or equivalent
- CPR; preferred
- At least 18 years of age
- Patient Support Communication Skills
- Basic knowledge of childcare
- Fingerprint and background check performed by the Department of Human Services

Time frame:

- A commitment of five months is required
- 1-2 hours per week
- Mondays- 5:45- 7:15

Site:

- Way Home, 5480 Kirkwood Blvd SW Suite 100, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Supervision:

- This position is supervised by the director of way home. The volunteer will also work closely with staff,

Benefits/Support Provided:

- Volunteer hours toward state programs, such as school
- Attend professional trainings where certification is provided
- Learn how to support and benefit children with ACE's
- A letter of support from the director
- Facilitating groups and implementing pieces of education to children
- Learn about treatment in the community