

Family Advocate

Authority/Responsibilities

You assist with coordinating the multidisciplinary team's investigation of child abuse and neglect.

■ Responsibilities:

1. Gather information from MDT members regarding the allegations of child abuse and neglect.
2. Gather demographic and contact information from family members.
3. Inform the non-offending caregivers about the role of the Child Advocacy Center and orient them to the forensic interview process.
4. Conduct an interview with the non-offending caregiver to provide resources and support related to alleged abuse.

Character Development Tips

Module #4

In this module, you will meet with the MDT at the Case Review session, where you all will share your steps taken (and professional documentation related to the same) in this case.

Steps you've taken in this case:

- Met with Anna Hartwin on 2/9/20xx (Day of forensic interview) and conducted non-offending caregiver interview.
- Met with MDT in pre- and post-interview meetings at the CAC.
- Completed Non-offending Caregiver Interview report and submitted to MDT
- Completed monthly follow-up calls to family since the interview, to continue to offer resources and assistance.
- Participate in case review meetings to follow outcome of case.

Information you can now share:

- Family Advocate Follow-up Report.
- Sammi's previous home-based therapist transferred off of the case due to "personal reasons."

Information to make sure to address:

- Resources offered and accessed.
- Be sure to meet with the Child Protection Investigator to decide what you will share.