Child Care Solutions, Inc. Position Description

Title: Provider Services Specialist

Team: Provider Services Status: Non-Exempt Updated: August 2025

Reporting Relationships:

Reports to: Provider Services Coordinator

Summary Description:

Provider Services Specialists are responsible for the implementation of the Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and other programs designed to recruit, establish and support family child care providers with the goal of enhancing the quantity, quality and stability of home-based child care while taking into account the cultural and linguistic needs of the community.

Essential Functions:

- 1. Implements the USDA Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) including provider recruitment and orientation, training, compliance monitoring visits, claim processing, and one-to-one technical assistance for participating family child care providers.
- 2. Follows CACFP rules and procedures regarding provider eligibility, documentation, record keeping, reporting, and compliance with CACFP standards.
- 3. Provides support to providers through timely communication such as letters/mailings, phone calls, emails, and in person sessions to ensure eligible provider needs are met.
- 4. Enters provider data documenting CACFP participation in Minute Menu database.
- 5. Assists in agency efforts to market family child care in the community as a home-based business opportunity and recruit new family child care providers.
- 6. Presents introductory information sessions for prospective family child care providers and CACFP training for program participants.
- 7. Works with other team members to ensure that agency databases include current and accurate listings for the family child care providers operating in our service area.
- 8. Stays current with NYS Family Child Care regulations and best practices for home-based caregiving.
- 9. Is knowledgeable of community resources to which providers and parents can be referred for additional services and support.
- 10. Maintains accurate and positive communication with providers and prospective providers. May be assigned to attend agency and community events that include family child care participants.
- 11. Participates in outreach efforts to inform the community about Child Care Solutions and its services.
- 12. Assists in collecting feedback and data to inform agency services assessment.
- 13. Incorporates the perspectives of multiple communities, including communities of color, in consideration of the impacts and outcomes of the work.
- 14. Participate in training, as assigned, to learn and implement CACFP.

15. Performs these responsibilities with the understanding that responsibilities and tasks may be modified or expanded over time.

Qualifications:

Education: Bachelor's Degree in Early Education or equivalent education and experience

Experience: Requires 2 years' experience working in a family child care setting or in a child care setting that participates in the CACFP program

Competencies: Effective oral and written communication, presentation skills, knowledge of family child care operation and best practices, high level of accuracy and organization, moderately proficient in use of MS Office and/or other databases, strong customer service skills, knowledge of community resources and ability to work with people from a wide range of economic, ethnic and cultural backgrounds

Level of responsibility: Works with moderate level of supervision, exercises some discretion and independent judgment

Working Conditions:

Schedule: Requires flexibility, some evening and occasional weekend hours

Environment: Agency's Syracuse and Auburn offices and onsite home visits

Travel: Local travel throughout Onondaga and Cayuga County, some regional meetings, infrequent out-of-state travel to conferences or training events

Customer Responsibilities and Contacts: Extensive contact with family child care providers, some contacts with children and parents; frequent service collaborations with other Child Care Solutions teams; some contact with NYS Office of Children & Family Services and Department of Health representatives

Physical Requirements:

- Manual dexterity sufficient for frequent use of telephone, keyboard, calculator and other office equipment
- Ability to receive and convey detailed information
- Ability to sit at a desk for 6 7 hours per day
- Ability to stand for 1 2 hours for presentations
- Moderate physical exertion: Occasional lifting of up to 25 pounds of equipment or material

<u>Salary Grade:</u> 2 \$39,487.00- \$46,839