

Family Services Specialist - Adult Protective Services

Are you looking for a rewarding career in human services? Do you enjoy getting out into the community and working directly with adults and their families? As an Adult Protective Services Specialist with the Winchester Department of Social Services, you will have the opportunity to ensure adults over 60 and adults over 18 who are incapacitated can live free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

IN THIS ROLE, YOU WILL:

- Assess for adult safety and risk by completing assessments and investigations
- Develop plans to provide the appropriate level of care and maximize self-sufficiency
- Schedule and attend home visits in order to ensure the safety of vulnerable adults
- Assess for service needs, coordinate referrals, and encourage participation in services to foster greater independence and provide support for caregivers
- Prepare court reports, affidavits and testify in court
- Complete required documentation in a timely manner, in accordance with state and local policy

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU IF YOU:

- Are motivated by helping vulnerable adults stay safe and supporting their right to self determination
- Respond well to the unexpected and are able to roll with the punches
- Have a positive attitude and are resilient in the face of challenges
- Are a natural problem-solver and excel at working through tricky situations
- Enjoy working as part of a team
- Are proactive and persistent -- whatever it takes to get the job done!
- Are organized and able to keep up with documentation and paperwork

WHAT WE OFFER:

- Competitive benefits package - see more at <https://www.winchesterva.gov/human-resources>
- Tight-knit team atmosphere
- Extensive training and shadowing opportunities
- Consistent coaching and mentorship on the job

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's Degree in a human services field, or a bachelor's degree in any field with two years of related experience in social work.
- Within 90 days of employment, you must have a driving commute within a one-hour time frame of the City of Winchester limits.

BEFORE YOU APPLY:

Check to make sure you're a good fit by doing the following two things:

- View the realistic job preview for this position: <https://youtu.be/e-fPuybcOpQ>
- Complete this assessment tool. You will be asked to bring your ratings total if contacted for an interview: <https://bit.ly/3enjAnP>