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## Clinical Social Work Internship (MSW)

Child Advocacy Centers (CACs) were born from this vision: Everyone involved in child maltreatment investigations could do more to help the child if they worked together.

The Child Advocacy Center of Lapeer County (CAC) offers forensic interviews, advocacy, and therapy services to children ages 3-18 impacted by sexual and physical abuse.

Therapy services are offered to children following participation in a forensic interview as an opportunity to process trauma experiences, learn healthy coping skills, practice feeling identification, and learn appropriate safety skills.

Clinical Social Work (MSW) interns are trained to provide trauma-informed therapy services to assigned clients, participate in weekly individual supervision and clinical case consultation, and assist with daily functions within the agency. Training will be provided to complete each of the roles and responsibilities listed below.

### Duration:

Clinical MSW internships are offered 2-3 semesters in duration, depending on college or university requirements and Lapeer CAC Clinical Program needs. Internship requirements typically include an average of 16 hours per week, ranging from 2-3 days per work week. Internship opportunities offered at The Child Advocacy Center of Lapeer are unpaid.

### Responsibilities Include:

- Provide trauma-informed therapy services (via in-person or telehealth) to assigned clients and maintain a small caseload
- Complete biopsychosocial and standardized assessments
- Develop individualized treatment plans with clients and caregivers

- Complete risk assessments and safety planning as necessary
- Online training in Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- Collaboration opportunities with clinical staff and agency team members
- Participate in weekly individual supervision with Field Instructor
- Join clinical staff members in case consultation meetings
- Learning opportunities with multidisciplinary team (MDT) members
- Other possible learning opportunities include developing and facilitating group therapy sessions with clients, observing forensic interviews and advocacy meetings, serving as a support person during court proceedings.

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