

**STEP Head Start
Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant**

Specifications of Work: up to 120 hours/year

1. **Provides Mental Health Consultation** – works with staff and families to enable timely intervention and effective identification of infant, toddler, and preschool child and family mental health concerns, through a broad range of services, including:
 - Early childhood mental health observations and consultation in classrooms and through home visits.
 - Participation in meetings with staff and/or families to plan strategies to address the mental health needs of individual children or families.
 - Facilitating/supporting referrals to community health and mental health providers.

2. **Participates in Early Childhood Mental Health Program Development, Evaluation, and Improvement Activities including:**
 - Providing individual or group training and technical assistance.
 - Membership on the Head Start School Readiness & Mental Health Services Advisory Committee.
 - Participation in program planning for overall mental health services delivery.
 - Participation in program monitoring and Self-Assessment.
 - Other services delivery and planning as needed.

Requirements:

- **Minimum of Master's Degree in Social Work or Psychology with knowledge of infant, toddler, and preschool child development and mental health; prefer MSW.**
- **At least 2 years' professional experience working with young children and their families.**

Interested Candidate Must Provide the Following:

1. **Letter of Interest, including a description of experience as a mental health consultant with young children and their families, and a resume.**
2. **Statement of hourly rate expectation.**
3. **Availability limitations, if any.**

Documentation of Licensure in Psychology, Social Work, or related field, insurance, and Child Abuse, Criminal History and FBI Certifications are required to be provided before starting any work.

Please mail above required documents to STEP HR, 2138 Lincoln Street, Williamsport, PA 17701. For questions, please contact: Sue Evans, STEP Head Start Deputy Director, (570) 601-9634 or saevans@stepcorp.org. Letters of interest will be reviewed upon receipt.