



MAINE EDUCATIONAL CENTER FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND FAMILY SERVICES

One Mackworth Island, Falmouth, ME 04105

Employment Opportunity

Position: Early Intervention and Family Services: Early Intervention Specialist
Salary: Commensurate with experience and education
Date Closed: Until filled

Become part of a family-centered team supporting children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing, primarily birth through age three. This is a full time, 203-day position based in Falmouth, Maine.

Responsibilities:

- Home visits and facilitating discussions related to hearing levels, communication and language development, communication options/opportunities and overall child development for families of children who are deaf or hard of hearing, birth to age three, with the possibility of some work with children ages 3-5 based on need
- Providing Special Instruction – primary service provision of early intervention
- Collaborating with early intervention agencies and providers
- Observing and providing on-site consultation to early intervention programs
- Consulting, in-service training, and support for teachers, caregivers and professionals
- Monitoring communication and language development through a variety of assessments

Minimum Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree (Masters preferred)
- Three years experience in Deaf/Special Education preferred
- Certification requirements vary depending on background:
 - State of Maine certification – 292 Teacher of the Deaf OR 282 Teacher of Students with Disabilities OR
 - Federal certification through American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA) as an SLP and Maine state licensure as issued by the State Board of Examiners on Speech Pathology and Audiology OR
 - NBCOT (National Board of Certified Occupational Therapist) certification and Maine state licensure from the Maine Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation, Board of Occupational Therapy OR
 - Such alternatives to the qualifications listed above as the Board may find appropriate and acceptable
- Ability to deal effectively with a wide range of people in a helpful, positive, and constructive way
- Ability to work independently, establish priorities, and work collaboratively as a member of a diverse community of professionals
- High level of professionalism, strong organizational, expressive communication, and writing skills
- Ability to drive throughout the state for caseload, meetings, training, etc.

- Ability to communicate effectively using American Sign Language or willingness to learn
- Openness and unbiased approach to various communication modes for expressive and receptive language utilized by individuals who are D/deaf and hard of hearing
- Sensitivity to cultural diversity, race, gender, and other individual differences in the workforce, recognize the value of diverse perspectives and experiences, and foster a work environment reflective of the community at large
- Willingness to work a flexible schedule in order to meet the needs of students, families, programs, and school districts

A competitive salary and benefits package, including medical/dental/vision insurance, tuition reimbursement, Maine State Retirement, PSLF eligibility, and paid sick/personal time is offered.

If interested in applying for this position, please click the **APPLY link next to the Early Intervention Specialist** listing on our Career Opportunities website page.

PLEASE NOTE: Employment CANNOT be finalized until the applicant has completed requirements for complete background checks and fingerprinting as required by Maine state statute.

We strongly encourage DHH, women, minorities, individuals with disabilities and veterans to apply to all of our job openings.