



Co-Response Training & Technical Assistance Center News

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Feature Story:

Meet Our Team: We're featuring members of our talented team!

This month, in our final issue for 2021, we are continuing to introduce you to our **Advocates JDP** team members.

To provide a meaningful introduction, we created some guiding questions for staff to answer. This month, we are introducing you to Ashley Scionti, MSW. Ashley serves as the diversion clinician for the HHS Program, covering Holliston, Hopkinton, and Sherborn.

Meet Ashley Scionti:

What brought you to your role at Advocates?

After graduating with a master's in social work, I had always been drawn to crisis work but I was limited to primarily working within youth residential settings for several years. I was ready for a new challenge; I knew I still wanted to remain working with the community and primarily dealing with mental health but was unsure what that looked like. I was so intrigued by the JDP role from the moment I learned about it and knew it was the role for me.

What is challenging about your job?

Working in such a fast-paced environment can sometimes prove to be exhausting. I do, however, feel extremely fortunate to work in a program that puts such a massive importance on employee self-care. I constantly feel supported and appreciated in my role and that always outweighs the challenges.

What encourages you to stay in your position?

A combination of job satisfaction and awareness of the important work that we do. I enjoy that no two days are the same. I find it rewarding that I can take

something valuable away from every encounter within the community, knowing that I am leaving a situation better than I found it. I enjoy working collectively every day with the officers I co-respond with, the individuals we encounter together and community providers. I have never worked in a role where I have felt part of such a large, collaborative team. I feel extremely fortunate.

**Correction to our November "Meet Our Team" issue:*

Last month, we inadvertently listed Sonja Wagner, MA. Sonja is the Co-Response Jail Diversion Clinician for Franklin *and* Natick. This is incorrect and we extend our apologies to Sonja, especially, and to all of you. Sonja is the Jail Diversion Clinician for Natick.

*From all of us,
to all of you ...*



*... best wishes for
a joyous New
Year!*

Join Our Team



Independent, Motivated, & Enthusiastic Professionals Wanted

Advocates promotes a healthy work-life balance and offers many generous perks of employment and room for advancement. We are a strong-knit community that values the ideas and contributions of our staff.

Our Co-Response Jail Diversion Team is expanding rapidly and we want you to join us!

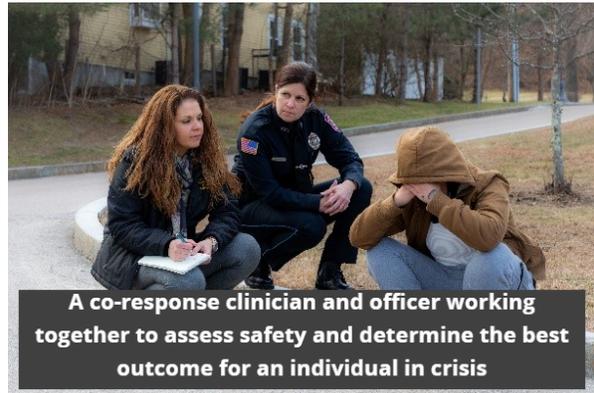
The Jail Diversion Social Worker works in conjunction with the designated police department (s) to provide psychiatric and substance use evaluations to individuals who encounter the police while in crisis.

Do you...

- **Have a Master' Degree in counseling or a related field?**
- **Have a minimum of 2 years of experience in crisis intervention?**
- **Like a fast-paced work environment?**

If so, please email Assistant Program Director **Jenelle Main**, LMHC at

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A co-response clinician and officer working together to assess safety and determine the best outcome for an individual in crisis

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