



Co-Response Training & Technical Assistance Center News

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Feature Story:

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

Over the past few months, through Covid Corner, we shared some reflections, offering a sense of who some of our team members are and how they are coping with doing this work in a pandemic. Now, we would like to take the opportunity to introduce you to the **Advocates JDP** team.

To provide a meaningful introduction, we created some guiding questions for staff to answer. This month, we are introducing you to Kallie Montagano, MA. Kallie is the Co-Response Jail Diversion Clinician for Franklin and Medway.

Meet Kallie Montagano:

What brought you to your role at Advocates?

I have always enjoyed helping people, which probably is due to coming from a long line of family in Law Enforcement. However, I have always been drawn to the intersection of law and mental health. This role allows me to have a perfect balance of both, being able to help people while working alongside the police, especially during the growing demand for mental health support.

What is challenging about your job?

My passion lies within crisis work, but that often means not being able to follow cases through to ensure adequate after care. Additionally, no two encounters are the same. What might be highly effective on one call may not work on the next, which requires always being on alert.

What encourages you to stay in your position?

I enjoy working in a fast-paced environment, where the unknown awaits each day. I feel as though I can make a difference in the community, in the police department, and I am fortunate to be a part of an incredibly supportive JDP team with strong leadership.

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!

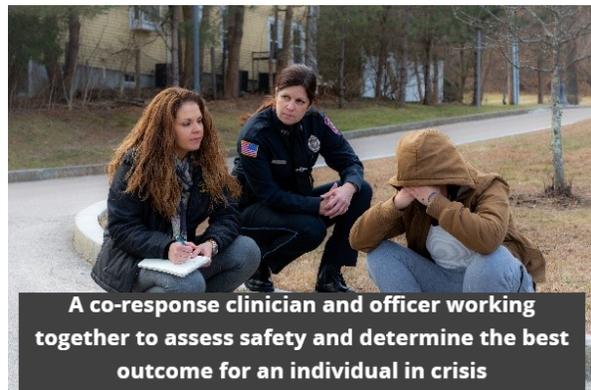
The Jail Diversion Social Worker works in conjunction with the designated police department (s) to provide psychiatric and substance use evaluations to individuals who encounter the police while in crisis.

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