## Oregon Child Forensic Interview Training 2020-2021 Application Form

Thank you for your interest in the Oregon Child Forensic Interview Training. Below are important notes about the application process:

- The Oregon Child Forensic Interview Training (OCFIT) is a 3.5 day training focusing on conducting <u>Child Forensic Interviews in a Child Advocacy Center</u>. This type of interview may differ from first responder interviews in your region. You are responsible for understanding your MDT protocol regarding child interviewing in your region.
- The attached document is an <u>application, not an enrollment form</u>. Those who will conduct child forensic interviews in a Child Advocacy Center receive priority enrollment.
- Acceptance/Waitlist status is shared at least 4 weeks before training start date.
- Applications are reviewed and prioritized by Oregon Child Abuse Solutions, Regional Service Providers, and the Oregon Department of Justice, based on regional training needs, position, and agency representation.

Questions? Contact Sydney Johns: Sydney@childabuseintervention.org

## Training Schedule:

If accepted, you will be notified by end-of-day 4 weeks before training start date.

OCFIT is a 3.5 day training. You will receive a certificate for 32 hours of training upon

successful completetion of the training. Below is the training schedule:

- Tuesday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm. Breakfast and Lunch provided.
- Wednesday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm. Breakfast and Lunch provided.
- Thursday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm. Breakfast and Lunch provided.
- Friday, 8:00 am-12:00 pm. Breakfast provided.

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Please complete the information below. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

#### **Participant Information**

Name

Title

Agency

Street Address

City, State, Zip

County

Phone

Cell phone

**Email Address** 

## Which OCFIT are you applying for?

OCFIT applications are accepted no more than 12 weeks before training start date.

Which OCFIT are you applying for?

## **Discipline:**

Which of the following best describes the discipline you represent:

Forensic Interviewer

CPS Caseworker

Law Enforcement

CAC/CAIC Staff (other than Forensic Interviewer)

Mental Health

Medical

Prosecution

Other (please specify):

How will you apply OCFIT to your job? The information you provide will be used to prioritize your application:

## Where do you interview, and what kind(s) of interviewing do you do?

This information is used to prioritize your application. For purposes of this training, interview types are defined as follows:

An initial responder interview is a minimal-facts interview conducted in the field by initial responders, such as law enforcement officers (LEs) and/or Department of Human Services Child Welfare Personnel (DHS-CWPs). These interviews elicit just enough information to establish safety and determine the need for a criminal investigation and/or an immediate medical evaluation. This interview typically takes place during the initial responder's first contact with the child/family and may be followed by an in-depth forensic interview.

A forensic interview is a developmentally sensitive and legally sound structured conversation with a child intended to elicit detailed information about a possible event(s) that the child may have experienced or witnessed. Forensic interviews are coordinated to avoid duplicative interviewing, follow research-based guidelines, and are conducted by trained professionals who participate in ongoing peer review, ideally in a child-friendly environment, such as a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

## What kind of interviews do you do? Please select all that apply.

Initial Responder Interviews

Forensic Interviews at a non-CAC location

I conduct Forensic Interviews at a CAC, or will conduct Forensic Interviews at a CAC once trained.

If you conduct Forensic Interviews at a non-CAC location, please describe where you conduct these interviews:

If you currently or will conduct Forensic Interviews at a CAC, please complete the following:

 Center Name

 Center Contact

 Contact Phone

 Contact Email

ONCAIC will follow up with the Center Contact to verify this information.

#### By signing this form and remitting your application fee, you agree to the following:

Initial here to indicate you agree to the statements below:

--Attending Oregon Child Forensic Interview Training on the dates indicated above

--Attending the training in its entirety. **Missing 30 minutes or more of training will** prohibit you from receiving a certificate of completion, and you will not be eligible for any reimbursement of expenses related to the training from DOJ.

--Conducting two video-recorded practice interviews and participating in practice peer review.

--Making every reasonable effort to notify Oregon Child Abuse Solutions in advance if you will not be able to attend so that your place can be given to someone else in the waitlist.

--Reading required materials prior to attending training.

--Completing a pre- and post-test, and daily quizzes that are built into each training module. The tests and quizzes will be based on the required reading materials and the curriculum. Earning a score of 85% or better on the post-test to receive a certificate of completion.

# --I understand that I am submitting an application for OCFIT, and that I am not guaranteed acceptance to OCFIT.

--I understand that I will receive a certificate of completion for completing this training. I understand completing OCFIT does not make me a certified forensic interviewer. A Forensic Interviewer must be or have been a law enforcement officer or a DHS Child Welfare worker; or have a master's degree in a related field and two years of experience working with children; or a bachelor's degree and four years of experience working with children; and have completed the Oregon Child Forensic Interview Training.

#### Agreement and Signature of Applicant

**Applicant Name (printed)** 

#### Applicant Signature

Date

### Agreement and Signature of Applicant's Supervisor

Supervisor Name (printed)
Supervisor Title
Supervisor Phone
Supervisor Email
Supervisor Signature
Date
Tuition - \$175, payable by check or credit card

Tuition for OCFIT is \$175. If your application is not accepted for this training, your application fee will be returned to you.

Tuition is payable by check or credit card. Credit card payments are processed via PayPal and subject to a 3% processing fee. If you would like to pay by credit card, OCAS will invoice you when your application is received.

#### How would you like to pay for OCFIT tuition?

Reimbursements may be available for Oregon professionals who are CAC staff interviewers, law enforcement, or child welfare workers and who receive a certificate of completion for the training. **Please contact Amanda VanTil at <u>Amanda.L.VanTil@doj.state.or.us</u> or <b>503-378-6870 to determine your eligibility for reimbursement.** Reimbursement requests are limited to the cost of tuition and up to \$280 for hotel accommodations. Hotel accommodations must meet the GSA guidelines (www.GSA.gov).

#### Submit your application and tuition by the application deadline to:

Email: Sydney@childabuseintervention.org

Mail: Oregon Child Abuse Solutions ATTN: OCFIT 1827 NE 44th Ave, Suite 220 Portland OR 97213

Questions? Contact Sydney Johns:

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