



Volunteer PICCOLO Research Study Video Assistant
(Parenting Interaction with Children Checklist of Observations Linked to Outcomes)

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Scheduling and Attendance Protocol: If you are running late or need to cancel please call our attendance line (303.377.9732-4) and send Sarah an email via your Vic Net account. Please give at least 2 days' notice if at all possible. If we are closed to inclement weather you can check Anchor Centers Website, Facebook page, call our main office and/ or check 9 news for closure updates.

Commitment: Infant/Toddler program beginning Feb 24/26 2020, During School Year. As this is a new project, we are uncertain what the frequency of need will be. For now, flexibility in scheduling will be key. We are hoping to have at least five families beginning in February.

Work Location: Anchor Center 2550 Roslyn St Denver CO, 80238

Number of Volunteers Needed for this Position: (2)1 for Monday and 1 for Wednesday

What is PICCOLO: A validated assessment of quality interactions between parents and their children to build social, language and cognitive skills. The PICCOLO is a video-based observational tool to measure the improvement of parent-child interactions guided over time in family-centered routines-based programming for families of young children with visual impairment. Through the use of observational and guidance skills, we hope the PICCOLO will prove to positively evaluate our programming practices.

Purpose/Objective of Volunteer Role: In order to collect parent interaction data, we will need to video individual parents and their children during Infant/Toddler program. Ideally, we will video participating (who have given consent) families for 15-20 minutes segments every month to monitor and score their interactions. We are requesting volunteer assistance to be responsible for being flexible and available for needed videos, create the videos and audios, and store them to a secure place.

Volunteer Duties:

- Attend orientation and training
- Help set up before and clean up after activities
- Assist team with various activities as deemed appropriate

Training/Support: Training by Anchor Center program staff; a staff person will always be present with the volunteer

Ideal Volunteer Profile:

- Understand technology to connect iPads and lavalier microphone device to create 15-20-minute videos of parent/child pairs
- Follow training to be present in the Infant Toddler program, but to not interfere with programming, instruction or interactions between families. (Create as realistic environment as possible)
- Label video recordings, download to provided flash drives, and store securely as directed.

Benefits for Volunteer: Opportunity to support Anchor Center research initiatives; get acquainted with program staff; support ground breaking research gathering!