



Child Abuse Pediatrician – Children’s Hospital of The King’s Daughters, Child Advocacy Center, Norfolk, VA

Children’s Hospital of The King’s Daughters (CHKD) seeks a board certified or board eligible Child Abuse Pediatrician to join the medical team at our [Child Advocacy Center](#) (CAC), which has been a critical resource in Coastal Virginia for more than 25 years.

Accredited through the National Children's Alliance and dedicated to providing child-friendly services to children with suspected maltreatment, CHKD’s CAC is the largest in Virginia, serving over 2600 children annually. The program offers medical, forensic, and mental health services to abused and neglected children at its three locations in southeastern Virginia. The medical team currently consists of a child abuse pediatrician, 2 physician assistants, nursing, and forensic nurse examiners. In addition to the medical team, the CAC also includes forensic interviewers, licensed clinical social workers, psychologists, case managers, and trainees. Our center has an established program for trafficked youth and houses the area’s trauma-informed community network. The program has been training child abuse pediatric fellows since 2003.

The CAC is a department of Virginia's sole free-standing children's hospital, which has the region’s only Level I Pediatric Trauma Center. A 60-bed pediatric mental health hospital tower opened in 2022. CHKD has demonstrated sincere and ongoing commitment to the maintenance and success of the CAC and our medical team. Academic appointment will be in the Division of Child Abuse Pediatrics, Department of Pediatrics of Eastern Virginia Medical School, affiliated with Old Dominion University’s Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences.

Norfolk is one of 7 major cities in the Hampton Roads region in southeast Virginia. Winters are mild, spring and autumn are wonderful, and the ocean breezes temper the summer warmth. The area has an excellent quality of life, with reasonable housing costs, great restaurants, and numerous activities to suit any interest. Drives to the Outer Banks, the mountains, and even Washington, DC, are easy to do.

This full-time position offers a very competitive salary and benefits package. Applicants should be Board Eligible/Certified in Child Abuse Pediatrics and be willing to serve as core faculty for the child abuse pediatrics fellowship. Applicants should excel in the clinical assessment of abused and neglected children; be skilled in teaching a diverse array of learners, including non-medical professionals; provide trauma-informed care; and possess excellent organizational and interdisciplinary communication skills.

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