

WHO CAN BECOME A CARER?

We want individuals who are caring, enthusiastic and empathic, who are happy to open their home to a young person and take advantage of all the supports we offer.

Applicants must:

- Be 25 years of age or older
- Be able to obtain a clear criminal record check and child protection check
- Have a valid driver's license and access to a vehicle
- Have a strong desire to help children, young people, and families



WHAT NEXT?

We value diversity and inclusion, and we welcome applicants from all ethnicities, cultural backgrounds, religions, genders, and sexual orientations. If you would like to take the next step towards becoming a carer with Amal, contact us so we can get the process started.

Contact us:

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AMAL YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTRE



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Become a Family-Based Carer With Amal!

WHO WE ARE!

Amal Youth and Family Centre is a non-profit organization providing Family-Based Care and a variety of other services and programs across Newfoundland and Labrador.



WHAT IS FAMILY-BASED CARE?

Family-based Care is a way of providing family life in your own home for a child in the foster care system when they are unable to live with their birth family. Family-based Care provides young people with the opportunity to heal from their traumatic life experiences in a safe and secure family setting. We work with the Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development (CSSD) and a young person's birth family toward reunification whenever possible and in the child's best interest.

WHY DO CHILDREN COME INTO CARE?

Most children in care have experienced neglect, and/or physical, emotional, or sexual abuse. All children in care have experienced loss and separation from their birth family.

OUR CARERS ARE FULLY SUPPORTED

- Regular visits and phone contact with a program supervisor
- After hours support, 7 days per week, 365 days per year
- A comprehensive compensation package
- A carer support group with an experienced therapeutic facilitator
- A variety of organized family activities
- A comprehensive and specialized training program
- Access to a therapist for consultation as well as individual or family therapy for any young person placed
- Educational supports
- Professional supports in your home from qualified Family Engagement Workers



AMAL PROVIDES A SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ALL CARERS

We are committed to providing a specialized training program and access to learning materials for our carers.

Training starts as part of the assessment process with PRIDE (Parenting Resources for Information Development and Education) which all applicants must attend. Applicants also completed First Aid, Suicide Intervention (ASIST) and Crisis Intervention (TCI) before approval. Approved carers receive the following training throughout their time with us:



- Understanding and Managing Aggressive Behaviour (UMAB)
- The PersonBrain Model™
- Trust Based Relational Intervention (TBRI)®
- Relationships and attachment
- Trauma and vicarious trauma
- Child and Youth Development
- The Purposeful Use of Daily Life Events (DLE)
- Working with Families
- Other training and learning materials as needed

