

Job Title	Bilingual (English/Spanish) Family Support Specialist: UAC Home Study and Post Release Services
Employer/ Agency	YMCA International Services
Job Description	<p>YMCA International Services is a unique branch of the Y of Greater Houston and seeks to meet the needs of Houston’s significant refugee and immigrant communities. We provide comprehensive programs that focus on building human assets and fostering self-sufficiency. YMCA International Services seeks a full-time Bilingual Family Support Specialist to work with USCRI’s Nuevo Comienzo Immigrant Children’s Program, to provide Home Study (HS) and Post Release Services (PRS) for Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC).</p> <p>Duties /Responsibilities Family Support Case Specialist primary responsibilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Conduct time-sensitive and thorough home study assessments for potential placements for UC, including background interviews, home assessment, and case analysis. · Provide culturally and linguistically appropriate post placement services and comprehensive case management for UC; · Carry a case minimum caseload of 25 PRS cases, or at least 3 home studies with 20 PRS cases; · Conduct brief interventions to help families address crises and manage conflict, as needed; · Complete individualized needs assessments with UC and sponsor, and develop case plans with particular attention to culture, language, and special circumstances; · Maintain a high standard of record-keeping according to USCRI and ORR policies and procedures.?? · Provide information, education, referrals, outreach, advocacy, and support to ensure that each child receives the services they require; · Assess the safety and appropriateness of the placement on an ongoing basis using child welfare principles and social work best practices through phone/video calls, interviews, and home visits; · Build a network of local pro bono legal resources and service providers to facilitate access for UC and sponsors, and track individual progress; · Coordinate and maintain communication with key stakeholders; · Participate in regular training and communication sessions with supervisor and headquarters staff; and

	· Perform all other duties as needed and/or as directed by supervisor including airport pickup of newly arrived refugees.
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master's Degree • Three years of experience • Bilingual (Spanish and English)
Salary/Hours	Full-Time
Employer/Agency	YMCA International Services – PRS/HS
Address	6300 Westpark Dr. Ste 900
City, State, Zip	Houston, TX 77056
Application Method	Online at: https://www.ymcahouston.org/careers
Opening Date	9/30/2021

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