

Antoinette "Toni" Peace, LCSW

My name is Toni Peace. I attended Virginia Commonwealth University where I received my Master of Social Work in 2011 along with a Certificate of Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education. I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with experience in the ID/DD population, as well as therapeutic groups for children. I have experience in completing developmental and behavioral assessments for infants, toddlers, and adults to determine their needs for community supports, and develop plans that include the needs of the individual and system. I also have experience in crisis response for children and adults, who have a dual diagnosis including Intellectual Disability/Developmental Disability, schizophrenia, ADHD, Bipolar Disorder, and other mental health disorders. I implemented de-escalation techniques, assisted in hospital admissions, and connected systems to community resources. I use a personcentered approach with a trauma informed lens to best fit the needs of my clients. Approaches I utilize include developmental theory, behavioral theory, CBT, and play therapy. I have facilitated groups

with children of all ages, whose parents attend court ordered parenting classes. I worked in cooperation with the family to explore emotional expression, anger management, stress management, and communication with the children, using creative approaches and activities to mirror the parent's program and facilitate family projects to incorporate the learning experience. My passion is working with children who have been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. I am ADOS-2 and Aut-Play Therapy certified. I love working with children and families to assist in developing strategies to help with open communication and behavior techniques. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my husband and grandchildren, traveling, and listening to live music.