



MANATEE COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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 Bradenton, FL 34205
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APPLICATION for ADVISORY BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN INK

For which Advisory Board are you applying? A separate application is required for each advisory board.	Name of Advisory Board: Children's Services Advisory Board		
Some advisory board positions have specific requirements for applicants. For more information please click on this link to the Manatee County website at: www.mymanatee.org/advisory_boards .	Please specify the seat you are interested in: child advocate		
Name Karen Hansen			
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Home Mailing Address			
City, State, Zip Palmetto Fl 34221			
Home Phone 5613898325	Work Phone 7277674325	Cell Phone	
Email address Noogieland123@yahoo.com			
Occupation (if retired, please indicate) Palliative care Child Life Specialist			
Business name John Hopkins All Childrens Hospital			
Business street address 501 6st s			
City, State, Zip St Petersburg Fl 33421			
Are you registered to vote in Manatee County? (This is a requirement of certain boards/commissions)	Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/>	No <input type="radio"/>	
I reside in County Commission District #	1 <input checked="" type="radio"/>	2 <input type="radio"/>	3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> 5 <input type="radio"/>
(This can be found on your Voter Registration Card or click on this link to a County Commission District Map)			
Do you reside in unincorporated Manatee County?	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
If No, please indicate the City _____			
The Board of County Commissioners strives to ensure equal access for minorities and women to serve on advisory boards/committees/commissions. Providing this information will help Manatee County compile information needed to comply with the reporting requirement in Florida State Statute 760.80.			
Gender	Male <input type="radio"/>	Female <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Race	African American <input type="radio"/>	Asian American <input type="radio"/>	Caucasian <input checked="" type="radio"/>
	Hispanic American <input type="radio"/>	Native American <input type="radio"/>	Other <input type="radio"/> _____

Please list any governmental Advisory Boards/Committees/Commissions on which you currently serve.

None

Please list any Manatee County Advisory Boards/Committees/Commissions on which you have previously served (include dates of your service).

None

Why do you want to serve on this Advisory Board or Committee?

Volunteer for the Community
Look out for childrens well being

Describe your education and experience that will provide a benefit to this Advisory Board.

I have over 30 years working with critical ill children and their quality of life needs.
I also adopted a child from foster care at the age of 10 (palm beach county) and now she is 29.

List your professional credentials, licenses or certificates that are relevant to this Advisory Board.

BS, CCLS, GC-C
(Grief counselor)

List organizations and positions in which you serve in local civic or community groups.

None

Do you or your immediate family members have or hold any employment or contractual relationship with any business entity or agency which does business with or receives funding from Manatee County Government? Yes No If yes, please explain.

Do you know of any other reason that would prohibit you from serving on this board that could be deemed as a conflict of interest? Yes No If yes, please explain.

If you are appointed, are there any days of the week or months of the year you will be unavailable to serve due to job or travel? Yes No If yes, please explain.

In my job there might be a time I need to stay if we are involved with end of life situation.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. For questions regarding a specific advisory board, committee, or commission, including the duties and requirements, please contact the County staff liaison listed on that board's webpage.
 2. Certain advisory boards, committees, and commissions have specific membership requirements including a valid voter registration card, financial disclosure and/or the submission of other information.
 3. Attendance is required at advisory board meetings. Three unexcused absences may be grounds for removal.
 4. Florida State Statute 119.07 designates this application as a public document to be made available for anyone requesting to view it. If you qualify for exemption from public disclosure under the terms of this statute, please explain:
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5. Advisory boards, committees or commissions having the authority to make factual determinations, review permit applications, issue permits, grant variances, or impose fines exercise a part of the County's sovereign powers and members are prohibited by Florida law from holding more than one such position. If you currently hold another state, municipal or county government appointment, County staff will assist in confirming your eligibility to serve on the board for which you are applying.

NOTICE

Applications must be complete and signed to be valid. Resumes may not be substituted for the sections on the application but you may include extra pages to provide additional information. Applications will not be processed unless each section has been completed and all supplemental information sought by County staff has been provided. Applicants will not be permitted to change information on their submitted application materials once they have been received by the County.

The following advisory boards require a questionnaire that must also be completed and a current resume for the applicant to be considered for appointment. See pages 4 and 5 of this form.

**Children's Services Advisory Board – page 4
Healthcare Advisory Board – page 5**

Please sign and date below

I have reviewed the qualifications of this position and the duties of the board or commission for which I am applying and certify that I am fully able to serve. I agree to commit the necessary time to fulfill these responsibilities. I understand that I am offering my service without compensation. I agree to abide by all Manatee County Commission rules and policies either published or in effect by usage, and all regulations and laws of the State of Florida. I further hereby acknowledge that should my professional, residential or other status change subsequent to my appointment to this board or commission, I have a continuing obligation to inform the County's staff liaison of that change to the extent it may alter my eligibility to continue in service.

By typing my name and submitting this application, I confirm that the information provided in this application is true and complete, and this constitutes my signature under the Florida Electronic Signature Act.

Electronic Signature Type or Sign Name**Date**

Your application may be mailed to the address below.

Mail: Board of County Commissioners
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 902
ATTN: Advisory Boards
Bradenton, FL 34205

You may also fax or email your application, as follows:

Fax: 941-745-3790
Email: Save this pdf form to your computer and then attach it to an email. Email to this address:
advisoryboards@mymanatee.org

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discrimination policy involves every aspect of the Board's functions including one's access to, participation, employment, or treatment in its programs or activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation for meetings as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Citizens Action Center, three days before a meeting at 742-5800; TDD ONLY 742-5802 and wait 60 seconds; or FAX 745-3790.

Supplemental Questions for Applicants to the Manatee County Children's Services Advisory Board

Please complete all questions with current and accurate information.

Are you affiliated with any agency that receives Children's Services dedicated millage funds from Manatee County? Affiliated means: an employee of the agency; owner of the agency; voting member on the agency's Board of Directors; or contract with the agency.

Yes No

If yes, please select the agency from the list below. Check all that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AMIkids Manatee, Inc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Insight Counseling Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Suncoast | <input type="checkbox"/> Manatee Children's Services, Inc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys & Girls Clubs of Manatee | <input type="checkbox"/> Manatee County Girls Club (Just for Girls) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centers for Success (Tallevast Comm Ctr) | <input type="checkbox"/> Meals on Wheels Plus of Manatee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centerstone of Florida | <input type="checkbox"/> Myakka City Community Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Coalition for Youth (New Path) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pace Center for Girls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> D.L. Randall Foundation | <input type="checkbox"/> Palmetto Youth Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County | <input type="checkbox"/> Parenting Matters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easter Seals of SW Florida | <input type="checkbox"/> Sarasota Family YMCA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Consultants Consortium | <input type="checkbox"/> Sarasota Manatee Assn. Riding Therapy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Network on Disabilities | <input type="checkbox"/> School District of Manatee County |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Step Up Suncoast (MCAA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Feeding Empty Little Tummies | <input type="checkbox"/> The Salvation Army |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Florida Center for Early Childhood | <input type="checkbox"/> United Community Centers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation for Dreams | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hope Family Services | |

Please explain the affiliation you have with the above agencies:

An application to the Children's Services Advisory Board requires a **current and comprehensive** resume or curriculum vitae, which may be emailed along with your application to advisoryboards@mymanatee.org, or may be mailed or faxed to Manatee County at the address and fax number provided on page 3.

K A R E N H A N S E N

2321 17 St. W. Palmetto Fl. 34221
561-389-3825

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Certified Child Life Specialist

Certified Grief Counselor

All Children's Hospital 6/18/2016
Child Life Specialist/ Palliative care

Community Partnership Group/Pediatric Oncology Support Team 04/30/07 to Present
West Palm Beach, FL

Child Life Specialist II

- Responsible for children and their families with Critical Illness
- Facilitate support groups
- Assessment of children
- Medical play for adjustment and coping to procedures
- Bereavement support and grief counseling

Bright Horizons Discovery School 08/12/06-04/01/07
Coconut Creek, FL

Assistant Director

- Education and assisting Director of Center
- VPK Program
- Child Development intervention

Gilda's Club South Florida 01/05/98-07/28/06
Fort Lauderdale, FL

Program Director

- Responsible for the operations of the staff, Program, Budget

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- Growth Development of Membership
 - Supervision of Staff, hiring and training
 - Support groups of children and adults
 - Designed and created the children's Program

***Conner Moran Children's Cancer Foundation 10/95-12/97
West Palm Beach, FL***

Child Life Specialist

- Responsible for Therapeutic intervention for children diagnosed with cancer
- Facilitate children support groups
- Medical Play

***Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital 01/92-09/95
Hollywood, FL***

Child Life Coordinator

- Worked with children and their parents in coping with cancer, Facilitate support groups
- Planned outside activities and parties for families

***All Children's Hospital 08/90-04/91
St. Petersburg, FL***

Child Life Specialist

- Responsible for intervention of children diagnosed with cancer and Intensive Care Unit

***Loyola University Medical Center 07/88-08/90
Maywood, IL***

Child Life Coordinator

- Responsible for Pediatric unit, Burn Unit, and intensive care unit
- Volunteers and Management of interns

***Children's World Day Care Centers 05/83-06/88
Dallas TX, and Illinois***

Director

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- **Education 1978-1981 Western Illinois University**
 - **Bachelor's Degree in Child Development**
 - **Child Life Certified since 2004**
 - **Certified Grief counselor since 12/1/13**
 - **FACLP member**
 - **ACLP member**
 - **CPAC member**

Presentations

- Medical Play: What is it? De. 2009 Professional education The Leukemia Society
- Companioning the Bereaved, 2014 Child Life Staff All Children's hospital & Nurses week
- Puppet Therapy, All Children's Hospital, Child Life Specialists, June, 2014
- Palliative Care the Human Connection, All Children's Hospital, January 13, 2014, Residents
- Care of the Dying Child, All Children's Hospital, August 13, 2013, Staff at ACH
- Companioning Through the Wilderness of Grief, Florida Association of Child Life, March 2013, July
- 2014
- End of Life & Palliative care Presentation 2014, 2015, 2016
- Mentor for Mentee/Leadership program for 2015
- Poster Session for Nursing week 2015 Palliative care