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Zawatsky joins MGH and CSAC

Mass General Hospital and CSAC, the Charlestown Substance Abuse Coalition, recently welcomed Phenice Zawatsky, LICSW, of Everett as the Charlestown’s new Clinical Social Worker. Phenice will oversee the Charlestown Family Support Circle, an initiative designed to identify and intervene with at-risk adolescents and their families and to improve the connection among Charlestown service providers to support local individuals and families.

CSAC’s Director Sarah Coughlin said community support for Family Support Circle came from the recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by Mass General Hospital’s Center for Community Health Improvement and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital. The Family Support Circle’s goal is to create a central referral point to connect Charlestown youth and families with the community services they need, and will include all key stakeholders and providers in the community relevant to that family and child. “Phenice brings the skills and experience we need to launch this important new program for Charlestown families,” Coughlin said.

Phenice comes to CSAC from Youth Villages Germaine Lawrence Campus in Arlington, where she was a clinical supervisor working with at risk youth, adolescents, young children and their families. She also worked at the Department of Children and Family Services in Los Angeles, CA. She received her B.A. from UMass Boston and her MSW from the University of Southern California.