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As Statewide Coordinator of the Ohio Infant-Toddler Court Team, Caitlin Feasby will lead state-level efforts to advance the objectives of the five-year federally funded Ohio Safe Baby Court Team project.

Caitlin's passion to support and empower others started at age 16 when she began volunteering at Erin's House for Grieving Children – an organization dedicated to providing a safe environment for children to process grief after a loss. There she became interested in mental health care through the lens of understanding how grief, loss, and trauma impact childhood development. She went on to work as a music therapist and bereavement coordinator in hospice care on both geriatric and pediatric care teams, while continuing to focus on improving educational and mental health outcomes for youth and families after loss.

Caitlin has taken her nearly 15 years of experience with direct patient care and translated it into the development and oversight of bereavement programming throughout the country, serving grieving clients around the world as a practitioner and grief educator. By implementing innovative technologies, approaches, and solutions, she prioritized making mental and emotional support services widely accessible, particularly for those in impoverished and rural areas.

Caitlin's experience in healthcare spaces led her to question systemic inequities in mental and physical healthcare access. As she pursued her master's degree in social work, she worked with the National Association of Social Workers – Ohio Chapter (NASW-OH) as a catalyst to better understand our systems and study effective strategies to promote systemic change. With knowledge ranging from clinical practice to advocacy, Caitlin comes to Groundwork Ohio eager to translate her experience to inform stronger systems and better policies that work for Ohio's vulnerable infants and toddlers.

Caitlin earned her bachelor's degree in music therapy from Ohio University and her master's degree in social work from Cleveland State University. She is a licensed social worker and board-certified music therapist and continues to volunteer with local organizations including The Women's Fund of Central Ohio, Ruling Our eXperiences (ROX), and the NASW-OH chapter.

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