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Connecticut Voices for Children Hires New Policy & Communications Staff

New Hires Will Focus on Health Care, Juvenile Justice and Education

NEW HAVEN – Connecticut Voices for Children, a child advocacy organization working to ensure that all Connecticut children have an equitable opportunity to achieve their full potential, announced the hiring of three new staff members. These new hires will bolster Connecticut Voices for Children’s research in health care, juvenile justice, and education policy, producing high-quality, data-based analysis, as well as enhancing the organization’s strategic communications capacity.

- **Karen Siegel** is the new Public Health Policy Fellow at Connecticut Voices for Children. Karen has returned to Connecticut after working on health policy research in Singapore at the National University of Singapore. She has extensive experience as a health writer and editor for a variety of causes, including Save the Children, where she focused on global maternal and child health. Karen earned an MPH from the Bloomberg School of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University in 2013. She also holds an MFA in Fiction writing from the University of Michigan and a BA in English from Barnard College.

- **Camara Stokes Hudson** joined the staff as an Associate Policy Fellow working on Juvenile Justice and Education issues. Before coming to Connecticut Voices for Children, Camara worked in different roles serving young people involved in the juvenile justice system, including The National Coalition on Black Civic Participation, the Children’s Defense Fund and Vermonters for Criminal Justice Reform. She is the recipient of a B.S in Human Development and Family Studies from the University of Vermont. Camara has coached debate in several correctional settings with the non-profit SPEAK Inc. and continues to do debate education work in her spare time.

- **Nipuni Gomes** joined Connecticut Voices for Children as the Communications and Development Assistant. She supports public relations efforts via social media and English/Spanish community outreach, as well as grant writing. Nipuni earned her B.A. in Communications and English from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas. At Trinity, she was a journalist focusing on campus political discussion and race relations, and served as the Managing Editor of 1966: A Journal of Creative Nonfiction.
About Connecticut Voices for Children: Connecticut Voices for Children is a research-based child advocacy organization working to ensure that all Connecticut children have an equitable opportunity to achieve their full potential. In furtherance of its mission, Connecticut Voices for Children produces high-quality research and analysis, promotes citizen education, advocates for policy change at the state and local level, and works to develop the next generation of leaders.