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Person Specification – Children and Young Persons Crisis Support 2Worker

(A=Application; C = Certificate; I=Interview; R=Reference; T=Test)

Categories	Essential	Desirable	How Identified
Qualifications, Knowledge & Training	• Evidence of extensive professional experience working with CYP including experience in safeguarding in a CYP environment	 A counselling qualification to a minimum of Diploma level and/or DipSW or equivalent 	A,C,I
	 To have attended CYP safeguarding training (face-to-face/online) in the last 2 year's and have clear understanding of safeguarding issues, policies and procedures 	 Recent face to face attendance at other relevant CYP safeguarding training. CSE, CSA etc. 	
	 In-depth knowledge of issues experienced by children and young people and in particular in relation to sexual violence and the barriers they may experience in accessing services 	Youth Work qualification	
	Evidence of relevant continued professional development	 Appointed Safeguarding lead An understanding of the nature of the	
	• A commitment to upholding the policies, procedures and values of NSVSS and in particular, a commitment to ensuring Equality of	Sexual Assault Referral Centre service	
	Opportunities in all areas of practice and performance	 Knowledge and understanding of the options available to clients who are experiencing sexual violence; 	

		including up to date knowledge of relevant laws and legislations	
Experience	• Experience of supporting clients by providing information and/or support work and completing holistic risk and needs assessments and making safeguarding referrals	 Experience of working within an organisation that deals with the impact of sexual violence 	A, I, T
	• Experience of organising and prioritising a complex workload, working to tight deadlines and being self-servicing in administrative duties	• Experience of working on a helpline	
	• Experience of working in a multi-agency setting and partnerships working with a wide range of statutory and voluntary agencies		
	• Experience of communicating clearly, concisely and diplomatically with a wide range of people and agencies, both verbally via telephone, face-to-face, professional's meetings etc. and in writing via briefings, reports, letter writing, email etc.		
Skills & Abilities	• Excellent information sharing and support skills, both on the telephone and in person in a client focused approach	 Recognised IT qualifications e.g. CLAIT/ECDL/NVQ Level 3 in Administration 	A, I, R
	• Good analytical and problem solving skills with the ability to identify and prioritise needs and risk and translate these into action, including the ability to risk assess and safety plan		
	• Ability to maintain coherent and accurate case notes and be self- servicing in relation to administration and ICT		
	Willingness to work flexibly and be part of a Rota		
	Excellent interpersonal skills		

Personnel Attributes • Ability to meet and exceed quality standards in relation to every aspect of the work • Ability to take all possible steps to ensure the safety and confidentiality of clients, staff and partners • Ability to work well under pressure and sometimes chaotic environment • Ability to cope with exposure to traumatic events and information • Well organised, highly motivated, flexible and punctual • Ability to value and respect other team members • Ability to be self-reflective, whilst working with service users, in own personal and professional development and in supervision	• Fluent in languages other than English	A,I,R