Person Specification - PLAYWORKER



Professional Knowledge and Understanding	Essential	Desirable
Up to date Safeguarding Training		\checkmark
Up to date First Aid Training		\checkmark
 Ability and willingness to take up mandatory training in Safeguarding, FGM, 	\checkmark	
Prevent etc. and refresh as necessary		
Relevant youth work qualification or relevant NVQ Level 3 in Childcare/		\checkmark
Playwork or working towards one		\checkmark
Experience		
 At least 1 year experience of paid or voluntary work with children/young 	\checkmark	
people with a wide range of disabilities		
 At least 1 year experience of work supporting children or young people with 	\checkmark	
autism and challenging behaviour		
Skills Knowledge & Aptitudes		
 Awareness of Health and Safety issues relating to children & staff and 	\checkmark	
proactive approach to risk management		
 Awareness of Safeguarding/Child Protection issues 	\checkmark	
 Knowledge of play activities and an understanding of the importance of play 	\checkmark	
 Effective communication skills, both verbal and written 	\checkmark	
 Ability to deal with complex and challenging behaviour 	\checkmark	
Ability to contribute to the physical management of the young people and	\checkmark	
help in intimate care routines	\checkmark	
 Positive attitude towards children/young people with disabilities 	\checkmark	
Ability to demonstrate empathy Ability to plan and engage young people with a range of dischilities in enerties	\checkmark	
 Ability to plan and engage young people with a range of disabilities in creative play, individually and in groups 		<i>,</i>
• Skills in activities such as dance, drama, music, arts, crafts and/or sports	/	V
• To be aware of each child's physical and emotional well-being and how to	\checkmark	
respond appropriately	\checkmark	
 Able to be flexible about working practices and routines Ability to work offectively upder supervision as a member of a term 	\checkmark	
 Ability to work effectively under supervision as a member of a team Able to maintain confidentiality with privileged information 	\checkmark	
 Able to maintain confidentiality with privileged information A commitment to equal opportunities and anti-discriminatory practice 	\checkmark	
 Commitment to following established routines and procedures 	\checkmark	
 Ability to address challenges and issues with enthusiasm, sensitivity and a 	\checkmark	
positive approach		
 Sufficient command of the English language to ensure the welfare and safety 	\checkmark	
of the children being cared for.		
Basic IT skills	\checkmark	
Other Requirements		
• Able to work Saturdays, School Holidays or evenings commensurate to post	\checkmark	
 Commitment to working in partnership with parents 	\checkmark	
 Clear enhanced DBS check and willingness to go on the Update Service 	\checkmark	
 2 Satisfactory references: 1 from most recent employer and a minimum of 2 	\checkmark	
from a childcare/education setting		
Commitment to the positive values of the organisation	\checkmark	
WCC minibus permit		\checkmark
• Aged 18+	\checkmark	