

Title	Department	Post Ref.
Senior Support Worker	Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection	

#### Job Purpose

To undertake first visits to customers to introduce the service, plan support and risk assess for the activities to be undertaken. To take part in the on-call rota to provide support to staff out of hours.

#### Key Responsibilities

- 1. To visit new customers at home to introduce the service, plan support with them and risk assess the activities to be undertaken
- 2. To take into consideration issues around capacity and the Mental Capacity Act, when planning for support.
- 3. To take part in the on-call rota to provide support to staff out of office hours using an electronic scheduling system.
- 4. To receive and record notifications of absence out of hours, make necessary arrangements for cover and liaise with Support Co-ordinators to arrange on-going cover.
- To carry out the duties of a Support Worker to provide cover when necessary, as described in the Support Worker job description
- 6. To complete the on-call log and associated paperwork to return to a Manager following any on-call cover
- 7. To maintain awareness and implement instructions circulated at staff meetings, by departmental bulletins, policies and circular letters or by verbal or written instructions given by Managers.
- 8. To attend training events and contribute to training initiatives
- 9. To attend staff meetings and supervision
- 10. To assist in the induction of new Support Workers and Seniors.
- 11. Assist Re-ablement Managers in assessing the quality of service delivery and ensure compliance.
- 12. Accurately update Support Plans and any other customer records and make recommendations for discharge

## Key Accountabilities

- 1. To ensure that customers receive an introduction to the service, which meets their needs and expectations
- 2. To plan services with the customer and risk assess the activities to be undertaken to ensure health and safety.
- 3. To maintain business continuity out of office hours.
- 4. To adhere to the Nottinghamshire County Council Code of Conduct and the Code of Practice for Social Care Workers
- 5. To maintain the regulatory requirements of the Care Quality Commission
- 6. To liaise and collaborate with other staff and services within and outside the Department, in the interest of service provision and the well-being of customers, including the safeguarding of adults.
- 7. To foster equality, diversity and rights to ensure the provision of a culturally appropriate service
- 8. Actively promote customer involvement and use their feedback to improve the quality of service
- 9. Ensure the maintenance of dignity and respect for all customers.

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- 13. To undertake any other duties reasonably regarded as within the duties, responsibilities and grade of this post.
- 14. Be able to work as a lone worker as well as part of a team.

The post holder will perform any duty or task that is appropriate for the role described

### Person Specification

## Education and Knowledge

- 1. Have or be willing to work towards the Diploma in Health and Social Care Level 3 or equivalent
- 2. Understand the concepts of re-ablement
- 3. Understand the use and purpose of electronic recording and monitoring systems.
- 4. Understand Health and Safety and other legislation relevant to delivering social care in the community
- 5. Have a full driving license

## Experience

- At least one year's experience working in a similar environment
- 2. Experience in the use of equipment used in the delivery of care and support
- 3. Experience of following risk assessment and support plans
- 4. Experience of complex work scheduling to maximise efficiency

# Personal skills and general competencies

- 1. Commitment to the provision of high quality services and continuous improvement through professional development
- 2. Commitment to the provision of support which gives dignity to the customer
- 3. Commitment to embracing the diversity of colleagues and customers
- 4. Willingness to take responsibility for own personal development and participate in training and development activities as required
- 5. Ability to work flexibly to meet the needs of the service and customers
- 6. Ability to deliver services which maximise the independence and re-ablement of customers
- 7. Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing
- 8. Ability to manage difficult situations and handle conflict
- 9. Ability to be self-motivated, flexible and responsive
- 10. Ability to work with high volume and rapid turnover

#### Role Dimensions

- 1. The core responsibility of the service is to deliver up to the first six weeks of service for customers requiring a home care service. This is with the aim of providing the customer with a period of short-term assessment and re-ablement.
- 2. There is no responsibility for the management of staff or finances with this job

Please attach a structure chart