

| Title: | Department: | Post Ref. |
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| Early Support Service | Children, Families Cultural Services | |
| Level 2 Support Worker | | |

Job Purpose:

- To provide personal / practical / social support for disabled young people in various settings. This will include; the young persons own home, their local community and group settings.
- To be young person centred, focusing on; increasing independence, achieving positive outcomes and offering meaningful choices.

Key Responsibilities

- 1. To provide the support which has been agreed and meets the young person's needs, whilst respecting privacy and dignity and acknowledges wishes and feelings.
- 2. To provide personal and intimate care where required
- 3. To work positively with young people who display behaviour that challenges
- 4. To; administer medication or health procedures where agreed, be competency trained, and work within agreed Health Protocols
- 5. To promote the independence, self-esteem and positive identity of the young people
- 6. To promote the involvement and empowerment of the young people
- 7. To be trained to use any equipment as directed in the enabling plan
- 8. To support young people to work towards / achieve identified outcomes
- 9. To work with families to support family functioning and enjoy family time

Key Accountabilities

- Ensure the completion of appropriate records of planned work and the work undertaken, including quality assurance requirements
- 2. Develop and implement strategies to celebrate diversity and promote anti-oppressive values and attitudes
- 3. Ensure work undertaken complies with Health and Safety requirements
- 4. Ensure that the needs of children and young people in relation to play are gathered and recorded
- 5. Work efficiently and effectively to support operational services
- 6. Ensure work is in line with NCC Safeguarding procedures

- 10. To work jointly with colleagues to provide support where it has been assessed that 2 workers are required to ensure the Health &Safety of the young person and staff
- 11. To identify and record observed changes in the young person and contribute to their support planning and review
- 12. To keep accurate records and adhere to safeguarding procedures
- 13. To maintain current knowledge of practice issues and developments in the service area
- 14. To receive supervision and training, and contribute to the efficiency of the service

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

Person Specification

Education and Knowledge

- 1. Basic qualifications in Numeracy and Literacy
- 2. NVQ Level 2 in Health & Social Care / equivalent or a willingness to work towards
- 3. Full, current driving licence and regular access to a vehicle
- 4. Knowledge of Health & Safety relating to working in different environments
- 5. Knowledge of Safeguarding young people
- 6. Knowledge of the concept of / need for confidentiality.

Experience

- 13. Experience of working with young people (paid or voluntary)
- 14. Experience of caring for others personally or professionally (including person and intimate care)
- 15. Experience of following Risk Assessments / support plans
- 16. Experience of dealing with a range of challenging behaviours and knowledge of appropriate strategies to deal with these
- 17. Experience in the use of equipment required to support care
- 18. Experience of working without direct supervision and as part of a team

Personal skills and general competencies

- 7. Puts into practice the Council's commitment to excellent customer care.
- 8. Works efficiently and effectively and actively looks for ways of improving services and outcomes for customers.
- 9. Shares the Council's commitment to providing a safe environment for customers and staff whilst treating all with respect and consideration
- 10. Ensures the Council's policies for fairness and respect are delivered including setting high personal standards
- 11. Takes an active role in managing risk, health and safety and safeguarding issues
- 12. Works well with colleagues but also able to work on their own initiative.

Role Dimensions

- 19. No financial responsibility
- 20. No line management responsibility

Please attach a structure chart

Date