

## **Person Specification - Family Support Caseworker**

## Skills, competencies, knowledge and experience

Applicants will be expected to demonstrate the following through the recruitment process. In question 11 of the application form applicants should detail their skills, experience and knowledge for all items marked with \*.

| 1.  | Educated to degree level (or equivalent) in a related subject e.g. Psychology, or have relevant experience      | Essential   | Application Form             |
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| 2.  | Knowledge of learning disability and/or autism  | Essential * | Application Form & Interview |
| 3.  | Knowledge of learning disability and/or autism support and services   | Desirable * | Application Form & Interview |
| 4.  | Knowledge and understanding of challenging behaviour and positive behaviour support                             | Desirable * | Application Form & Interview |
| 5.  | Experience of supporting children or adults with learning disabilities and/or autism whose behaviour challenges | Desirable * | Application Form             |
| 6.  | Experience of information and advice or advocacy work   | Desirable * | Application Form             |
| 7.  | An understanding of and commitment to equality, diversity and human rights.                                     | Essential*  | Application Form & Interview |
| 8.  | Excellent written communication skills  | Essential*  | Application Form & Interview |
| 9.  | Ability to source and present complex information and concepts in a way that is simple and easy to understand   | Essential * | Application Form & Interview |
| 10. | Excellent listening and oral communication skills   | Essential*  | Application Form & Interview |

| 11. | Ability to empathise with the needs of families   | Essential * | Application Form & Interview |
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| 12. | Emotional resilience and an understanding of the importance of support and self-care                            | Essential*  | Application Form & Interview |
| 13. | Be able and willing to maintain confidentiality. (NB: Unless related to safeguarding or required by law.)       | Essential   | Interview                    |
| 14. | Ability to create and maintain positive and collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders | Essential * | Application Form & Interview |
| 15. | Initiative and self-motivation including the ability to prioritise workload.                                    | Essential * | Application Form & Interview |
| 16. | Sound IT and word processing skills   | Essential   | Application Form             |
| 17. | Ability to work flexibly in a small office/team environment   | Essential * | Application Form             |