

making a difference to the lives of people with severe learning disabilities

JOB DESCRIPTION

Title of post: FAMILY SUPPORT CASEWORKER

Responsible to: Family Support Lead

(with additional supervision provided from a clinical psychologist)

Hours: 15 hours a week (Monday and Tuesday)

Contract: Permanent

Salary: £24K - £25K depending on experience (FTE)

Location: CBF office, Chatham, Kent (5 min walk from Chatham train

station). Potential to work flexibly on completion of probationary period.

OBJECTIVE:

Provide specialist information and support to family carers and professionals who contact the CBF with enquiries relating to behaviour that challenges associated with severe learning disabilities, and related topics.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Responsibilities will include:

- 1. Providing individual support to family carers and professionals supporting individuals with learning disabilities as required via telephone and email. Support includes:
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- i. Providing and communicating specialist information regarding behaviour that challenges and related topics
- ii. Emotional support
- iii. Casework and advocacy activities, such as supporting family carers to present information to achieve good outcomes
- 3. Ensuring high-quality support and practical, individually tailored information is provided to family carers.
- 4. Maintaining a caseload, keeping up to date and accurate records on a database of all enquiries and action taken.
- 5. Making use of clinical supervision, mutual team debriefs and casework discussions, to ensure own wellbeing.
- 6. Reporting on enquiries to Senior Management Team, Trustees and funders as required.

- 7. Identification of key issues raised by family carers contacting the CBF to enable the CBF to highlight areas of need in national influencing work and information resources
- 8. Producing new materials for publication on the CBF website and in the CBF newsletter.
- 9. Maintaining confidentiality and following safeguarding procedures.
- 10. Ensuring regular communication with other members of the CBF team, including attendance at team meetings as required.
- 11. Any other tasks as determined by the Line Manager.