

Position: Residential Support Worker

Reporting to: Registered Manager/Responsible Individual

Salary & hours: Negotiable, 28 days paid holiday for full time employment

Disclosure Level: Enhanced

Main Duties

- To be a part of a team offering a comprehensive residential service to children and young people, the aim being to ensure the physical, social and emotional care, and development of the young residents and the establishment.
- To carry out duties in line with Back on Track's policies and procedures.
- To act as a key worker to specific children and young people.
- To promote structure, boundaries and domestic routines within the home.
- Working in line with children and young people's care and placement plans.
- Promoting positive outcomes for children and young people in areas of staying safe, being healthy, enjoying and achieving, making a positive contribution and achieving economic wellbeing.
- To work in accordance with the legal frameworks that govern practice that include; Quality Standards for Children's homes 2015 and Children's Homes Regulations 2015. cooperate with any inspection process.
- Provide a positive role model for the young people, presenting yourself in a highly professional manner.
- Work in partnership with other agencies to the benefit of the young people.
- Participate in, and complete reports for, statutory reviews and meetings concerning the young people.
- Supporting young people with project and group work.
- Undertake the role of Key Working and ensure you have a full understanding of this role in compliance with Key Working policy.
- Undertake relevant training programmes as required by the National Minimum Care Standards.
- Work in partnership with colleagues and other professionals to meet the social, emotional, educational, health and mental health needs of young people.
- Work within the code of confidentiality and ensure that records in the home are stored in a manner which is compliant with GDPR regulations.
- Awareness and responsibility for the health and safety of the home, young people, colleagues and yourself.
- You must co-operate with the organisation in complying with the Health and Safety requirements and are therefore expected to follow Company policies, to acquaint yourself with the Fire, Health and Safety Procedures and report any unsafe practices and conditions.

Post holder may be reasonably expected to undertake other duties commensurate with the level of responsibility that may be allocated from time to time. It is the responsibility of the post holder, to comply with Health and Safety and Equal Opportunities requirements at all times.

Other Requirements

- Full driving licence is preferred
- All Mandatory and specialist training to be attended as directed
- Staff meetings and clinical supervision groups to be attended

Supervision to be attended as directed

General Statement

The above duties and responsibilities do not include or define all tasks that may be required by the post holder. The duties and responsibilities may vary without changing the general character of the duties or the level of responsibility entailed.

Equal Opportunities

Back on Track Childrens Services SE Itd supports Equal Opportunities in Employment and opposes all forms of unlawful discrimination on grounds such as colour, ethnicity, nationality, gender, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, religion or belief and age. You are expected to comply at all times to the Companies Equality and diversity policies and procedures.

The above job description forms part of your Main Terms and Conditions of Employment. The Company reserves the right to vary duties and responsibilities at any time.

Person Specification

Qualifications	Essential	Desirable	Verified By:
NVQ 3 – Level 3 Diploma (QCF) qualified in Children Young People's workforce. (Commitment to obtain this qualification essential).		D	Application Form Interview

Skills & Experience			
Effective communication skills with colleagues,			Application Form
outside agencies, children and families.	Е		Interview
Previous experience of working with children and		D	Application Form
young people in the public care system.			Interview
Good interpersonal skills.	Е		Interview
To work as part of a team and use own initiative			Application Form
when required.	Е		Interview
To be an effective listener	Е		Application Form
			Interview
Reporting and recording to a high standard.		D	Application Form
			Interview

Knowledge Base

A good understanding of the needs of young	D	Application Form		
people in residential care.		Interview		
Children Act 1989 / 2004.		Application Form		
	D	Interview		
Knowledge of the Quality standards	D	Application Form		
		Interview		
The needs of children and young people in	D	Application Form		
residential care.		Interview		
Knowledge of the multi-agency working	D	Application Form		
carried out within Children's homes.		Interview		
Equal opportunities in day to day practice.	D	Application Form		
		Interview		
Understanding the principals of safeguarding	D	Application Form		
and child protection.		Interview		

Ability			
To work in partnership with other agencies including Local Authorities		D	Interview
To form professional and positive relationships with children and young people.	Е		Interview
Effectively communicate with children and families.	Е		Application Form
To work in isolation and understand potential risks that this may bring and respond appropriately.	E		Application Form Interview
The ability to deal with difficult situations and make appropriate decisions in line with the reporting procedures in the home.	E		Application Form Interview
To learn quickly and absorb information in relation to working with children and young people.	E		Application Form Interview
Promote the health, safety and wellbeing of children and young people.	Е		Application Form Interview
To ask for guidance and support, and to admit mistakes.	E		Application Form Interview

Personal Qualities		
A good sense of humour, initiative, integrity &		Application Form
honesty	Е	Interview
An enthusiasm & commitment to the children		Application Form
	Е	Interview
To enjoy for being active and enjoying fun days		Application Form
out with young people.	Е	Interview

A commitment to work in an anti-discriminatory		Application Form
non-judgemental manner, in line with Equal	Е	Interview
Opportunities Policies		

Other Requirements			
Ability to work shifts including weekends and			Interview/contract
evenings.	Е		
To maintain appropriate and effective			Application Form
communication with colleagues, managers and	Е		Interview/Contract
directors			
Full driving licence		D	Application Form