# **Domestic Abuse Children & Families Practitioner (part-time 18.75hrs)**

# If you can answer yes to these 3 questions, we'd like to hear from you.

Do you have NVQ level 3 in a related area of work and/or a minimum of 3 years relevant experience?

Do you have experience of working with families affected by domestic abuse? Do you have experience of completing assessments with vulnerable families?

#### **ADVERT**

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a Domestic Abuse Children & Families Practitioner to join our Domestic Abuse Service, working, part-time, 18.75 hours per week. You will be joining a multi service charity based in Coventry. In return, we offer a competitive salary of £12,000 p.a. (£24,000 FTE) and a contributory pension scheme. Annual leave of 26 days + bank holidays with an additional day's leave for every 2 years of service up to a maximum of 29 days per annum (pro-rata for part-time staff). Valley House offers a comprehensive in-house training programme, access to a range of accredited training, subsidised nursery places for staff and an Employee Assistance Programme.

#### What We Do:

The charity has a fully trained staff team providing Supported Accommodation and Community Support to survivors of domestic abuse. We also have an on-site Children's Nursery that provides full day care for pre-school children.

We are looking for a reliable and committed individual who is able to:

- Be responsible for the completion of all Early Help referrals and assessments to Family Hubs for service users accessing the Valley House Supported Accommodation Domestic Abuse Service.
- Support service users to access additional Family Hub/WISH support as appropriate.
- Overall responsibility for tracking the progress of Early Help referrals.
- Act as a lead within the service in relation to city wide developments and Family Hubs.
- Facilitate 1 to 1 and group work with families.
- Liaise with universal services and facilitate/develop activities with external agencies where appropriate.
- Facilitate consultation activities with children.
- Continuous development of groups and resources.

### The successful candidate will have:

- Minimum NVQ Level 3 in a related area of work and/or a minimum of 3 years relevant experience.
- Experience of working with families affected by domestic abuse.
- Experience of completing assessments with vulnerable families.
- Experience of multi-agency working.
- Experience of facilitating group work/activities.
- Knowledge and understanding of the difficulties faced by survivors of domestic abuse.
- Knowledge of best practice in relation to safeguarding children and adults.
- Knowledge of effective ways of working to engage with vulnerable families.

- Understanding and passion for the work of Valley House.
- Ability to work effectively within a team and on own initiative.
- Competent in the use of IT tools, including Word, Excel and Outlook.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.

## Additional requirements:

- Ability to work flexible hours.
- Be mobile and able to travel city wide at short notice (car driver with use of a vehicle). Candidates who are not car drivers, due to a disability, will be considered.

This post requires a satisfactory DBS check.

This vacancy is open to women only (exempt under the Equality Act 2010 Schedule 9, Part 1).

The hours of work are 18.75 hours per week.

The closing date is 12 noon on Friday 21 February 2025 and interviews will be held on Friday 28 February 2025.