



Job Title: COMMUNITY PLAYWORKER

Job Description

- To facilitate and support children aged 5 – 14 years at play.
- To assist in the organisation and facilitation of age appropriate play opportunities on a holiday playscheme or community play event for disabled and non-disabled children / young people aged five to twelve /sixteen years.

Pay £8.40 per hour inc proportional Holiday Pay

Duties and Responsibilities

1. To be accountable to the Senior Playworker and Director.
2. To work as part of a team.
3. To carry out specific duties led by the Senior Playworker.
This will include –
 - Facilitating and supervising children / young people's play including sport, arts and crafts, games, challenging and risky play etc.
 - Supervising children / young people.
 - Organising and running play activities free from unacceptable risk.
 - Acquiring and organising resources for play activities to contribute to and be within a timetable / programme.
 - Tidy and clean playscheme / centre at the end of sessions
 - Contributing to the planning of activities
4. Where appropriate, to organise and supervise day trips as and when required including supervision of children / young people on transport.
5. To be a positive play role model for parents that attend with their children including providing information and suggestions of how they can encourage and not control their childrens' play
6. To attend training prior to playscheme programme which may include voluntary attendance.
7. To work within Safeguarding protocols including keeping children and yourself safe and sharing concerns appropriately.
8. To work to all BAPP's policies and procedures at all times and within the Staff Code of Conduct
9. To attend and contribute to planning and review of provision at weekly staff team meetings / debriefings.

10. To work in an inclusive and non- discriminatory way and provide a positive role model for children and young people.
11. To encourage children / young people to be involved in behaviour / ground rule setting and to be fully participative.
12. To provide a consistent approach to behaviour management.

Person Specification – E = Essential, D = Desirable

1. Some relevant experience of training / working with children and young people, preferably in a playscheme or youth work environment. **E**
2. Practical skills in direct work with children e.g. Organisation, communication, arts, sports, etc. **E**
3. Commitment to a child's right to play and anti-discriminatory practice in playwork. **D**
4. Understanding of Safeguarding principles including appropriate information sharing, raising concerns and responsibility for keeping children and yourself safe. **E**
5. Understanding of safety issues and risk management in play settings including trips off site and sporting activities. **D**
6. Ability to work as part of a team. **E**

Times and Hours of Work

Variable in term time with after school sessions running 3.30pm to 6pm, staff usually work 3 – 6.30pm however this is flexible due to weather and numbers using services.

There are no fixed hours for cover work as it is for staff sickness and Annual Leave cover and for times when extra staff are required.

Variable in school holidays but could be between 20 – 30 hours per week, Playdays / sessions open 1pm – 4pm so hours of work would be 11am/12 noon to 5pm (including setting up, clearing away and debriefing time)
Length of employment in school holidays can be from 2 to 4 weeks in duration; 24th July to 17th / 18th August 2017

THIS POST IS OFFERED AS A SHORT-TERM CONTRACT AND IS SUBJECT TO THE CONTINUED RECEIPT OF FUNDING.