

## **Job Description**

Job Title: Employer Engagement Consultant

**Reports to: Team Manager** 

## **Purpose**

Intensive Personalised Employment Support (IPES) is a voluntary provision, supporting people with disabilities and complex barriers to find work, sustain employment and make improvements to their health and wellbeing.

Shaw Trust is delivering IPES alongside two Joint Delivery Partners Health 2 Employment and Genius Within. Specialist Key Workers from each organisation will form Multi-Disciplinary Teams, sharing their expert knowledge/experience to provide holistic support to participants.

### What we need?

The Employer Engagement Consultant is an important role for the success of IPES. You will use your commercial engagement, sales and recruitment skills, knowledge and experience to identify and engage with local employers to generate long term relationships with Shaw Trust and source/tailor/carve work placements and employment opportunities for IPES participants.

You will work closely with Key Workers within your multi-disciplinary team to understand participants within your caseload and build relationships with employers able to offer the right opportunities for them.

### **Main Duties and Responsibilities**

- 1. Manage the identification and development of a range of work experience placements and vacancies for IPES participants to meet their individual employment needs and aspirations.
- 2. Source work experience and job vacancies using a variety of mediums, e.g. online, phone, newspapers/magazines, in person, word of mouth, recruitment events, contacts, networking.
- 3. Work closely with Key Workers to move participants into appropriate employment as quickly as possible.
- 4. Identify, engage and account manage local employers to develop an understanding of their workforce development needs and how Shaw Trust can support them.
- 5. Carry out appropriate workplace Health and Safety assessments and liaise with the employer to ensure appropriate adjustments are made



- Provide advice and guidance to support Employers to improve inclusive employment practices. Encouraging them to become Disability Confident Accredited.
- 7. Lead locally on the development and maintenance of effective relationships with employers, employer forums, and other key stakeholder groups linking in with other operational staff working across the Shaw Trust group as appropriate.
- 8. Take all opportunities to sell to employers the services available to them from the Shaw Trust Group and the benefits to their organisation.

### **Other**

- 1. To undertake any further training as identified in the Shaw Trust review procedures.
- 2. Ensure that safe working practices are followed in respect of COSHH and other Risk Assessment control measures.
- 3. Employees must comply with the provisions of 'The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974' and must take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and of other persons who may be affected by their acts of omissions whilst at work. Employees are also required to co-operate with their employer to enable them to perform or comply with any statutory provisions. The Trust's efforts to promote a safe and healthy working environment can only succeed with the full co-operation of its employees.
- 4. To understand, comply with and promote Shaw Trust's safeguarding policy and procedures. It is the responsibility of all employees to make the working environment safe and secure for all. Everyone must adhere to the 5 Rs in relation to possible abuse: Recognition, Response, Reporting, Recording and Referral. The Trust can only ensure its dedication to the protection of vulnerable people with the full cooperation of its employees.
- 5. The Trust has a Diversity and Inclusion Policy and it is the responsibility of all staff to comply with this. The key responsibilities for staff under this Policy are set out in the Trust Code of Conduct.
- 6. To maintain the confidentiality about clients, staff and other Trust business. The work is of a confidential nature and information gained must not be communicated to other persons except in the recognised course of duty. The post holder must meet the requirements of the Data Protection Act at all times.
- 7. To maintain awareness of risk and to take personal responsibility for ensuring that the Trust is not unnecessarily exposed to risk. To report any issues or concerns relating to risk and the effectiveness of the Trust 's risk management arrangements.
- 8. Be aware of, promote and implement Shaw Trust's Risk, Quality and Information Security Management Systems.
- 9. To report to line manager, or other appropriate person, in the event of awareness of bad practice.



10. Recycle and manage energy within your environment in line with Shaw Trust's Strategic aim to adopt green approaches and become carbon neutral.

This job description is intended to provide a broad outline of the main duties and responsibilities only. The post holder will need to be flexible in developing the role in conjunction with the line manager. The post holder may be asked to carry out any other delegated duty or task that is in line with their post.



# Person Specification Job Title:

(E=Essential D=Desirable)

#### SKILLS AND CORE COMPETENCIES

## **Technical competency (qualifications and training)**

Minimum of 5 GSCEs (A to C) or equivalent qualifications (E)

## **Experience**

- Experience within the employment, training or skills sectors (D)
- Proven experience of meeting and exceeding targets (E)
- Experience of engaging and gaining commitment from employers, local authorities, health service providers and voluntary sector organisations. (E)
- Experience of proactively selling services to businesses (E)
- Experience of developing tailored service packages to businesses to meet their workforce development and recruitment needs. (D)
- Lived experience of local community and participant groups reflecting demographics (D)

### **Skills and Attributes**

- Knowledge of the local labour market. (E)
- Understanding of employer expectations and accessing career opportunities.
   (E)
- An understanding of, and positive attitude towards: mental and physical wellbeing; community and social inclusion; and a barriers faced by disabled people and the long term unemployed in the labour market. **(E)**
- Knowledge of disabilities and common health conditions and their impact on finding work (D)
- Knowledge of benefit system and employability programmes. (D)
- An understanding of the requirements of health and safety risk assessments in the workplace. **(E)**

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## Personal qualities, communicating and relating to others

- Local community knowledge knowing what provision and support services are available locally (D)
- Proactive and solution focused to create employment opportunities (E)
- Passionate about making a positive difference to peoples' lives. (E)
- Excellent organisational, interpersonal, communication and presentation skills.
   (E)

## Safeguarding

- Be able to display an awareness, understanding and commitment to the protection and safeguarding of young people and vulnerable adults. (E)
- This post requires a Disclosure and Barring Service Check at enhanced level (E)

### **Other**

 Have an understanding of and be able to demonstrate a commitment to Equal Opportunities and Diversity. (E)