JOB SPECIFICATION - SENIOR CAREWORKER

ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL QUALITIES	DESIRABLE QUALITIES	METHOD OF ASSESSMENT
EXPERIENCE	Comprehensive knowledge of the child care field in relation to child protection, care planning, risk assessments, reviews, children's hearing system	Leadership qualities and experience of making decisions at a higher level	Application Form
	Relevant experience of working with young people who have complex needs	Understanding of organisational demands and ability to work as part of multi-disciplinary team	Interview
	Possess all the essential competencies/capabilities contained within attached sheet.		
EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS AND TRAINING	SVQ Level 111 and HNC qualifications	Additional relevant qualifications in the child care field (child protection, SVQ level 4, supervision training etc)	Production of Certificates
	SSSC registration		Interview
SKILLS, ABILITIES AND KNOWLEDGE	Ability to develop a good understanding of the policies and procedures that operate within the organisation.	Knowledge of child care theories and understanding of disorders such as ADHD, Aspergers	Interview
	Leadership qualities that support others and ensure that they practice in a safe and professional manner		Written Exercise
	Ability to work in partnership with individuals and outside agencies in an	Ability to develop leadership skills and direct the work of others in an effective way	Group exercise
	effective and professional manner.		
	Commitment to providing the highest standard of care and ability to reinforce this to others	Ability to make effective efforts to develop the skills and competencies of others	
	Clear understanding of National Care Standards and relevant legislation and guidance	Ability to develop skills in supervision of staff.	
	Good administration and care planning skills.		
INTERPERSONAL AND SOCIAL SKILLS	Ability to work on own initiative and demonstrate confidence and assurance in communication with others Flexible approach to work with effective time management skills	Ability to appreciate individuals strengths and limitations and support these Ability to get the best from people in a productive and professional manner	Interview
	Ability to make informed decisions and value the opinions of others.	productive and professional manner. Ability to identify own training and developmental needs.	
	Effective team player, with ability to support and lead others	Ability to contribute to the development of the Service.	
HEALTH AND PHYSICAL ATTRIBUTES	Ability to undertake shift work.	Ability to recognise and manage own stress.	Interview
	Ability to undertake physical interventions if appropriate.		

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