GLOUCESTERSHIRE ACTION FOR REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS



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JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Counsellor/psychotherapist/psychological therapist

Responsible to: The Clinical Lead, and the Director

Responsible for: Providing clinical services to Young People

Salary: Self employed at £35 per session

Hours: 7 hrs over Tuesday or Thursday, preferably including 2 after

school hours (4pm-6pm)

1. MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1.1 To provide a culturally sensitive psychological therapy service to refugee and asylum seeking young people in the Gloucester area. The post holder will mainly deliver sessions at GARAS in Gloucester.
- 1.2 To provide a professional service to young people who have experienced massive losses, exile, torture, rape and physical and sexual abuse, problems associated with adjusting to a host country, and waiting in the immigration system.
- 1.3 To undertake where appropriate, correspondence with clients, GP's and other health care professionals.
- 1.4 To record and file all appropriate data.

2. COUNSELLING/PSYCHOTHERAPY/PSYCHOLOGICAL THERAPY

2.1 To undertake assessments of clients

- 2.2 Where appropriate, to liaise with clinical lead and advice workers at GARAS to provide clients with accurate information on other sources of support
- 2.3 To offer individual and potentially group sessions as agreed with GARAS, four/five clinical sessions per week, one admin, one meeting.
- 2.4 To attend regular monthly supervision sessions which will be provided by GARAS, and weekly lunchtime business/peer supervision meetings with the clinical lead and other therapists.
- 2.5 To adhere to GARAS's policies and procedures and your professional body's guidelines and code of ethics.

3. MONITORING & EVALUATION

- 3.1 To maintain appropriate session notes and to ensure the completion of the necessary forms for monitoring information.
- 3.2 To ensure that the client is involved in the monitoring process, through the use of the appropriate monitoring forms.

4. GENERAL

- 4.1 To promote the service to relevant professionals and agencies to ensure a consistent flow of appropriate referrals.
- 4.2 To attend when required any training relevant to the post.
- 4.3 To liaise with the GARAS Team, health and social care professionals where appropriate.
- 4.4 To liaise with other organisations and professionals involved with refugees and asylum seekers such as the immigration service.
- 4.5 To write reports and letters to support young people in their applications for asylum.