**Job Description**

**Job title:** Maccas Project Worker

**Reports to:** Senior Practitioner-CYP Services

**Hours of work**: 15 hours per week, term time only (Monday, Tuesday evening &

Wednesday)

**Salary:** Scale Point 22 £22,950 - £25,171 gross per annum (£9,304-

£10,204 pro rata gross per annum)

**Based at:** Head Office (Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent) and schools/community hubs

in and around Staffordshire

**JOB SUMMARY**

North Staffs Mind has offered therapeutic services in Stoke-on-Trent and North Staffordshire to Children and Young People for over 25 years. Over the years we have continued to be innovative and responsive and have developed our services to meet the demands of the local mental health landscape.

The Maccas Project was born in memory of Thomas McCauley. The project is specifically aimed at raising awareness of young men's mental health. We support all young people across Staffordshire through workshops in schools, colleges and universities and we offer consultation and support, confidential informal drop-in services and events.

We are looking to recruit someone with passion and drive, who can demonstrate a good understanding of the challenges young people face in relation to their emotional well-being and mental health. They will be facilitating workshops in schools, colleges and a fortnightly drop-in service. The Tuesday drop ins are support groups for 11–13-year-olds and 14–18-year-olds, at different venues within Staffordshire. We facilitate psychoeducational and interactive workshops in a group setting, as well as provide 1:1 well-being sessions for clients. The post holder will work as part of a team, alongside the CYP Senior Practitioner, to develop the project further.

**GENERAL SERVICE DELIVERY**

* To work closely with the CYP Senior Practitioner and colleagues to ensure the smooth running of the project
* To facilitate mental health and emotional wellbeing workshops
* To facilitate workshops for targeted groups of young people
* To support colleagues with the creation, facilitation and delivery of workshops
* To organise displays and attend events promoting the Maccas Project
* To facilitate consultation groups so that the ideas of young people can further develop the project
* To deliver workshops both face to face and online for schools and colleges
* To work with other agencies who work in the field of suicide and mental health to allow for greatest impact on the target communities
* To work flexibly to allow us to offer the best service possible to all clients
* Be willing to attend CPD on a regular basis and attend service-specific training as required.
* To work in line with North Staffs Mind’s current practices, policies, and ethos, including confidentiality and safeguarding.
* To demonstrate that you are working in accordance with the BACP Ethical Framework for the Counselling Professions at all times. This document can be found on bacp.co.uk in the ‘Events and Resources’ section.
* To maintain up to date knowledge of local and national services available for clients to sign post, refer to, or liaise with
* To have good written communication skills and keep coherent records to maintain data collection to generate reports.
* Attend staff meetings, team meetings, training, staff away days etc. as required by North Staffs Mind
* Undertake any duties as required by North Staffs Mind to maintain an efficient and client friendly service.

**The postholder must hold a full UK driving licence and have use of their own vehicle for business purposes.**

**The successful applicant will be subject to an enhanced DBS check prior to employment.**

This job description is an outline of the main duties and responsibilities only and may be subject to development and refinement in negotiation with the post holder.

**PERSON SPECIFICATION**

Qualities/ Skills Demonstrated by/ at

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| Certificate in Counselling or other equivalent qualification | Desirable | Application |
| Experience of working with young people and/or genuine interest and liking for them. | Essential | Application |
| A good understanding of young people and the challenges they face in relation to their emotional and mental health. | Essential | Application and Interview |
| A good understanding of child protection and safeguarding | Essential | Application and interview |
| Ability to create and deliver workshops (including online delivery as well as face to face) | Essential | Application and interview |
| Confidence to engage with the public about North Staffs Mind services, promote mental health and emotional well-being, and challenge the stigma. | Essential | Application and interview |
| Ability to work with young people in crisis, and confidence to report concerns to the project manager or colleagues to safeguard appropriately. | Essential | Application and interview |
| Be able to work using own initiative as well as being part of a team. | Essential | Application and interview |
| Knowledge of various local agencies and organisations to support, signpost, and refer young people appropriately. | Desirable | Application |
| Experience working with young people in a group setting. | Desirable | Application |
| Good organisational skills | Essential | Application and interview |
| Good team working skills | Essential | Application and Interview |
| Good communicator | Essential | Interview |
| Good IT skills | Essential | Interview |
| Able to drive and access to transport | Essential | Application |
| Understanding and ability of social networking | Desirable | Application and Interview |