

Dear Applicant

Re: Vacancy: Community Support Worker, Reference: AJCM/CG/JJ/SW0522

Thank you for applying for the above position and please find the recruitment pack as requested.

Due to the anticipated high volume of responses, if you meet the requirements of the role, you will receive a confirmation telephone call from one of our Recruitment Case Managers.

All applicants who are invited for interview will be asked to provide documentary evidence confirming their right to work in the UK and posts offered are subject to two excellent references and successful DBS checks and enhanced disclosure. All applications are dealt with the utmost sensitivity and confidentiality.

No job applicant receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of age, disability, gender and transgender status, race and ethnicity, religion and belief (including no belief), marriage or civil partnership status or sexual orientation.

Please note that AJ Case Management Ltd is assisting the client to recruit and employ a Support Worker. AJ Case Management is not the employer. Your employer will be Penningtons Manches Cooper LLP.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely

AJ Case Management Recruitment Team ajrecruitment@ajcasemanagement.com



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1. Summary of Vacancy

Ref: AJCM/CG/JJ/SW0522

Role: Support Worker

Hours: 17 hours per week (rota to include a long shift every Saturday (09.00 – 20.30) and one after school shift (15.00 – 20.30))

Contract: Permanent Position

Rates: £12.00 per hour weekdays, rising to £13.00 after one year
£14.00 per hour weekends, rising to £15.00 after one year

Closing Date: TBC

Employer: Please note that AJ Case Management Ltd is assisting the client to recruit and employ a Support Worker.

AJ Case Management is not the employer, Penningtons Manches Cooper LLP will be your employer on behalf of our mutual client.

Contact: ajrecruitment@ajcasemanagement.com

2. Advert

Support Worker – Tettenhall, Wolverhampton – COME AND JOIN OUR TEAM!

Permanent – 17 hours per week

Pay rates are between £12.00 - £15.00 per hour – please ask for further detail

We are looking for a support worker to care for our client - a 16-year-old boy, with Cerebral Palsy and Autism.

Our client needs support with therapy programmes, access to the Community and all his activities of daily living.

We need an enthusiastic, positive, and flexible person to add to our team of three.

This position involves support with personal care.

The successful candidate must be able to:

Demonstrate a willingness to learn,

Demonstrate a positive attitude and good sense of humour,

Demonstrate a strong work ethic, Be flexible in their approach.

Essential Requirements Include:

Ability to work as part of a team; excellent verbal, non-verbal and written communication skills; drive a car.

Preferred:

Previous experience in a similar role, flexibility to work additional hours as needed, a positive attitude, a caring disposition and an excellent sense of humour.

This is a fantastic opportunity to add real value to the client's life. In addition, your commitment and attention will be rewarded with excellent rates of pay and a great deal of job satisfaction.

Please note that employment will be subject to excellent references and an enhanced DBS disclosure being obtained.

Closing Date: TBC

For more details, Email: apply@ajspecialistrecruitment.com and quote ref: AJCM/CG/JJ/SW0522

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Commitment

No job applicant receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of age, disability, gender and transgender status, race and ethnicity, religion and belief (including no belief), marriage or civil partnership status or sexual orientation.

Unfortunately, due to volume we cannot respond to all applicants directly and successful applicant will hear from us within 3 weeks of closing date.

3. Introduction to Client

Hi, I am 16 years old and live with my mum and dad. I have two older brothers.

I enjoy going out and doing things, for example, going swimming, to the train station and out for food.

I need help to make choices and to learn routines.

I need supervision when I walk because I am a bit wobbly!

I don't like:

Loud noises and crowds.
I can struggle with change.

(If the applicant also has those interests, or similar interests, this should be detailed on the application form).

4. JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Support Worker

REPORTS TO: Team Leader and Case Manager

MAIN SCOPE OF THE JOB:

This role involves support that is personalised for that individual in the form of a support plan. Support duties will therefore include assisting the client with their daily life and includes a variety of duties.

Shift Duties May Include (but is not an exhaustive list):

- Supporting the client in their own home
- Supporting the client with school journey
- Supporting client in the local community
- Supporting the client with personal care
- Supporting client with mealtimes
- Supporting the client with specific therapy activities/ programmes
- Supporting client with their health and fitness
- Writing daily records and responding to emails

DUTIES PERFORMED:

STAFF -

- ✦ To comply with relevant legislation and operational guidelines. To maintain standards of care and report to the employer any breaches in professional practice. Refer to employers Policy and Procedure file for all legislation and operational guidelines.
- ✦ Participate fully with your manager in supervision and appraisal for your personal and professional development.

- ✦ Attend regular meetings to ensure that quality of support and care is provided to meet the client's care and therapy needs.
- ✦ In conjunction with your manager ensure that a personalised support plan is in place and recommendations followed. This plan should be reviewed and updated regularly and in accordance with policies and procedures.
- ✦ In conjunction with your manager ensure that recording and reporting systems are in place in accordance with policies and procedures.
- ✦ Ensure that you read and sign the regularly updated personalised support plan, remain up to date with all policies and complete all training that has been identified within agreed time frames.

CLIENT -

Personalised Support Plan and Rehabilitation

- ✦ To ensure the individual needs of the client are met at all times, ensuring that routines are arranged totally to meet the client's needs. To this end, it is likely that negotiated hours will change with the client's changing needs/wishes. The role will involve working to a rota that covers 365 days a year, including evening, weekend, waking and sleeping night provision.
- ✦ To contribute to the planning of a programme of support and therapy to meet the client's needs. To assist the client with treatment as agreed by any treating professional and manager
- ✦ To participate in meetings, e.g. planning meetings and multi-disciplinary meetings as appropriate
- ✦ To encourage the client to live as full, active and comfortable a life as possible, promoting independence at all times
- ✦ To provide personal care where required which may involve assistance with continence, health and medication, moving and handling, eating and preparing meals
- ✦ To support the client to make informed choices
- ✦ To be imaginative in finding new interests and activities with the client
- ✦ To support your client to maintain personal hygiene and appearance

Including but not limited to washing and bathing

- ✦ To provide a safe environment for all activities
- ✦ To promote independent life skills as identified in the support plan

Communications and Confidentiality

- ✦ To ensure client confidentiality in record keeping and discussions
- ✦ To record detailed daily notes as per Policy and Procedures
- ✦ To promote effective communications and relationships with the client and work colleagues. To be aware of communication, social, behavioural and cultural differences and adapt approach as required
- ✦ To liaise with external agencies as necessary in relation to the individual needs of the client (GP, Social Services, Housing, etc.)

Additional Duties Required

- ✦ To ensure dignity, respect and privacy are maintained at all times for the client
- ✦ Be patient and calm at all times, using your initiative and risk assessments to deal with unforeseen circumstances to the best of your ability
- ✦ To provide high standards of cleanliness, comfort and homeliness at all times. To undertake household duties as required and instructed by the manager and to support client to manage their domestic and personal resources based on their own wishes **GENERAL -**
- ✦ To attend all meetings as instructed by the Manager/Employer
- ✦ To be individually accountable for standards of professional practice
- ✦ In an emergency, and in case of illness, be able to be flexible and to stand in for other staff members if the client would otherwise be at risk or suffer harm
- ✦ To undertake any other related duties commensurate with the general level of responsibility of the post

- ✦ Ensuring confidentiality is maintained at all times in keeping with the General Data Protection Regulations 2016 – ensuring personal data is not disclosed to any unauthorised person
- ✦ To demonstrate understanding and awareness of equal opportunity policy and be able to put this into practice in a working environment
- ✦ To contribute toward the protection of individuals from abuse

This is not meant to be an exhaustive list; the job holder may be required to undertake other duties as required from time to time.

5. Person Specification

Essential requirements of the applicant:

Evidence of qualifications in Health and Social Care equivalent to NVQ/QCF Level 2

Strong IT skills including the ability to use a laptop to send emails, create Microsoft Word documents, write reports and carry out internet searches

Own car with full driving licence; be a safe and confident driver

Previous experience of providing person centred support

Understanding of regulations and legislation within health and social care

Can demonstrate a willingness and ability to learn, as this role will require an extensive degree of knowledge and continuous personal development

Desirable requirements of the applicant:

Previous experience of working with clients 1:1 in the community and their own homes

Previous experience of working with therapists

Previous experience of working with people who have cognitive difficulties, physical and communication difficulties

Understanding of safeguarding legislation

Can demonstrate a sound knowledge of Health and Social Care regulations

To have a calm and laid-back personality. However, a good sense of humour is essential

Non-smoker

In addition:

Excellent verbal and non-verbal communication skills, including being a strong listener, and engaging with the client

6. Job Specification

Summary for Support Worker

This is an exciting opportunity to join our friendly team and support a young person with cerebral palsy living in the community, enhancing their quality of life and promoting their independence.

The role will also include accessing social and leisure activities in the community.

The role may involve supporting the client on holiday both in the UK and abroad.

Additional Information Relating to this client:

Our client has Cerebral Palsy and Autism; as a result, he requires support with his mobility, communication, personal care, and all activities of daily living.

Pay and Conditions information

Waking hours – weekdays: £12.00 per hour, rising to £12.50 after a successful probation period and £13.00 after one year.

Waking hours – weekends: £14.00 per hour, rising to £14.50 after a successful probation period and £15.00 after one year.

Sleeping hours – National Minimum wage

Mileage: 0.40ppm (when travelling in own vehicle for work related activities, e.g. meetings at Head office, visits to school)

The rota will be varied to meet the needs of our client. Shift times and shift patterns are likely to change, however it is likely you will need to do two after school shifts (15.30 – 20.30) and one weekend day shift each week (09.30 – 20.30). Shift times will change in the school holidays.

You will receive a permanent contract, which includes a 6-month probationary period.

You will be required to attend an induction and complete training and policy reading throughout.

You will also be required to reach identified levels of competence and performance.

Holiday Entitlement:

5.6 weeks per annum (pro rata for part-time staff)

You may be instructed to take a period of your annual leave entitlement when the client is on holiday, please refer to your Contract of Employment.