

**THE LINK CIC
JOB ADVERTISEMENT**

Trainee Children's Wellbeing Practitioner (CWP)

The Link is a Middlesbrough based professional mental health and emotional wellbeing provider. We provide therapeutic services to children, young people and families across the North East including Redcar & Cleveland, Middlesbrough, Hartlepool, Stockton on Tees and Darlington. Our services include a wide range of workshops and training, therapeutic assessments, one to one therapeutic interventions including specialist therapies and Children and Young People Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (CYP IAPT) evidence-based therapies.

We are currently recruiting a Full time Trainee Child Wellbeing Practitioner (CWP) post to start with our organisation in January 2025.

Child Wellbeing Practitioners (CWP's) are specialist practitioners in assessing and treating mild to moderate depression and anxiety in children and young people. CWP's are highly adaptable; working with children, young people and their families within traditional Child and Adolescent mental health services, local authorities, third sector charities and in schools.

Successful candidates will be offered a full-time educational programme specifically for the role in partnership with Northumbria University. This post will be funded at NHS Agenda for Change (AfC) Band 4 level, gaining credits towards a postgraduate level qualification, there will also be an opportunity for employment on successful completion of training, with a starting salary projected to be based on the NHS AfC Band 5 scale.

To enable this, all applicants must demonstrate in their application the ability to work at degree level or have an equivalent level of relevant experience, with a proven record of previous learning or formal study in child development, wellbeing or mental health.

The training programme for this post is due to start in January/ February 2025, is 12 months in duration and will consist of academic and supervised practice learning across mental health services. Delivery of the programme will be provided through a combination of taught days within the University, independent self-guided study days and experience gained in mental health services.

During training, the post-holder will work under supervision to gain experience enabling them to gain the level of competence required to deliver high quality, evidence-based early



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interventions for children and young people experiencing mild to moderate mental health problems.

On successful completion of training, trainee CWP's will be equipped with the necessary skills, knowledge, and capabilities to work as a qualified CWP as autonomous and responsible practitioners within their scope of practice.

As this is a full-time training post, initially you will apply for the post, just as you would with any other job application, and then you will be expected to make a separate application to the university mentioned later on in the recruitment and selection process.

Please find attached the person specification, job description and application form.

To apply for this post, please send your CV along with your completed application form to Camilla Findlay (Executive Administrator) camilla@redcarlink.com

For further information, please contact Sarah Brett, (Operations Manager) sarah@redcarlink.com

Interviews will be taking place on: ***Week commencing 28th October (to be confirmed once shortlisted for interview)***



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