

## **Mohill Family Support Centre: Independent Meitheal Chairperson** **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/108997>)**



**Mohill Family Support Centre CLG wishes to fill the following vacancy:**

### **Position: Independent Meitheal Chairperson**

**Reports to:** Manager, Mohill Family Support Centre

**Location of Post:** Mohill Family Support Centre CLG, Canon Donohoe Hall, Mohill, Co. Leitrim, N41 Y2F5

**Contract Duration:** 1st August 2024 to 31st December 2024. Subject to funding it may be possible for extension beyond December 2024.

**Hours of Work:** 28 hours per week (4 days). Days of work Tuesday to Friday inclusive.

**Hourly Rate of Pay:** €23.85

### **Post Description:**

The post holder will work closely with the Tusla, Prevention, Partnership and Family Support Service and will receive allocated work from the Senior Coordinator of this service. They will also participate in Tusla staff and Meitheal Quality Development meetings and with Meitheal Briefing Plans for the area.

### **Post Specification:**

The primary purpose of this role is to chair Meitheal meetings. Meetings are attended by family members and multi-disciplinary and multi-agency representatives. This work of the chairperson is guided by Tusla, Meitheal Chairperson Guidelines, 2015.

### **Responsibilities include but are not restricted to the following:**

1. Ensure that the Meitheal multi-agency meetings progress from discussion of a child's needs and strengths to the identification of clear outcomes and indicators for the young person/family.
2. Facilitate participants to reach consensus on the actions necessary to achieve positive outcomes.
3. To ensure that the principles of the Meitheal process are upheld within meetings and in follow up actions.
4. If child protection concerns arise during the Meitheal process the Meitheal Chairperson must ensure that a referral is made to Tusla, Child and Family Social Work Service and put into place the necessary actions to ensure this happens.
5. To monitor the Meitheal process to ensure it is closed at an appropriate time i.e., when the outcomes have been achieved, when a referral has been accepted by Tusla Child and Family Social Work or it has been agreed that there is no longer a reason to continue with the process.
6. To ensure that accurate and comprehensive records are maintained.
7. Ensure adherence to local and national Prevention, Partnership and Family Support guidelines relative to Meitheal.
8. To promote a quality driven service.
9. Ensure timely response to service users in accordance with local and national policy, guidelines and business processes.
10. Promote best outcomes for children and families.
11. Deliver briefings on Meitheal to statutory and voluntary services.
12. To have strong organisational skills
13. Engage in and promote Child and Youth participative practice to other agencies.
14. The post holder will be required to cover Meitheal meetings in Counties Sligo, Leitrim and West Cavan. Travel will be

remunerated.

## Essential Criteria

1. Hold a third level degree qualification in either social care, social work, youth work, psychotherapy, psychology, early childhood care and education or other allied social science qualification
2. Have a broad knowledge of the Meitheal process
3. Experience of facilitating groups or chairing meetings.
4. Experience of working in a multi-disciplinary team environment.
5. Proficiency in report writing.
6. Effective communication skills
7. IT Skills
8. Full clean drivers' licence and use of own car.

## Desirable Criteria

1. A comprehensive knowledge of child development
2. Experience of working with children and families.

## Additional Information

1. The chairperson will receive administrative support.
2. The chairperson will be provided with monthly supervision.

## Panel

1. A panel will be formed for duration of 2 years

**Closing date for receipt of applications is 5th July 2024 at 5 pm.**

**Interviews will be held face to face in Mohill Family Support Centre, Canon Donohoe Hall, Mohill, Leitrim.**

## To apply for this position:

Please submit your Curriculum Vitae with a detailed covering letter in hard copy or email for the attention of:

Ms. Cathriona Charles,  
Chairperson,  
Mohill Family Support Centre,  
Canon Donohoe Hall  
Mohill, Co Leitrim, N41 Y2F5.

**Email:** [mfsc.chairperson@outlook.com](mailto:mfsc.chairperson@outlook.com) (mailto:mfsc.chairperson@outlook.com)

### Region

Co Leitrim

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### Expiry Date

5th Jul, 2024

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