

## **Barnardos: Trauma Informed Project Worker Bawnlea, Tallaght** **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/110631>)**



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**Ireland's leading children's charity is recruiting:**

### **Trauma Informed Project Worker Bawnlea, Tallaght, Dublin 24**

**Location:** Tallaght, Dublin 24

**Contract:** Part-Time (35 hours per week) and Specific Purpose Contract  
(Expected duration approx. 6 months) Work days: Monday to Friday

**Salary:** €32,363 - €50,024 D.O.E. (This is the pro-rated salary for 35 hours)

### **Why work at Barnardos?**

At Barnardos we seek to ensure that we have the best people working with us to support our work with children and families. The benefits of working with Barnardos are designed to promote continual professional development and a work-life balance for the most rewarding working experience.

- Barnardos offers a competitive salary – recognising the experience you bring to the role
- Generous annual leave entitlements
- Positive working environment with family friendly ethos and work - life balance policy
- Tax saver travel and bike to work schemes in operation
- Employee Pension scheme with employer contribution
- Training and Development
- Health and Wellbeing initiatives including Employee Assistance programme
- Company sick pay scheme

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### **Would you like to work with children and their families in an evidenced based and trauma-informed environment?**

Barnardos is Ireland's leading children's charity and has been working in the Tallaght area since 1980.

Barnardos' mission is to deliver services and work with families, communities, and our partners to transform the lives of vulnerable children who are affected by adverse childhood experiences.

The Barnardos Child & Family Centre, Bawnlea provides a trauma-informed family support service, which operates a keyworker system for children and their families, assigned by the case manager.

The Centre mostly provides services for families presenting with complex needs, impacted by Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and the majority of referrals are from the Tusla Child & Family Agency, although parents and can also self-refer.

Barnardos works in close partnership with families, statutory bodies and voluntary agencies, to bring about better outcomes for children, using a mind, heart and body approach.

Families can access services at the warm, calming and comfortable environment of the Bawnlea Centre, or within their homes.

Service interventions include:

- **Just Right State Programme:** An intervention to facilitate children to learn how to self-regulate their emotional states and actions, and also to enable parents to provide an enriched environment in their home in order to promote connected parent-child engagement.
- **Non-Violent Resistance (NVR):** An evidence-based programme to facilitate parents to address in a safe way: incidents of aggressive, violent or controlling behaviours from their child or young person.
- **Partnership with Parents (PwP):** An evidenced based and home-based, individual parenting programme to support parents to develop healthy relationships with their children.
- **Solution Focused / Brief Intervention:** A solution focused approach to facilitate positive change for parents and their families.
- **This Is Me:** A one-to-one programme for children aged 6 to 12 years of age, to promote resilience, well-being and the capacity to grow and develop in the context of adverse events.
- **Advocacy support:** A time-limited process to facilitate parents to access supports and provisions within their community in order to address their own unmet needs and / or to access services and resources on behalf of their child, to address their child's needs.
- **Practical Family Support:** A time-limited provision of support, advocacy work and crisis intervention focused on improving the living environment and if required, practical parenting inputs, to facilitate the development of home management skills for parents.

## Where we work

Services are provided in our Centre in Jobstown (Tallaght, Dublin 24), in the homes of participating families and in local community settings as appropriate to the needs of the child and family. The Centre's current catchment area covers Dublin 12 and Dublin 24. Services are also provided on-line, as required.

The service is a key participant with the Tusla Child & Family Agency's 'Comhar' process, which seeks to provide accessible and focused interventions to children and families, not involved with the Social Work Department. The Centre is funded by the Tusla Child & Family Agency, the HSE and Barnardos voluntary funds.

## Job purpose

To develop and implement programmes that respond to the needs of children and families referred to both services working in partnership with families and other organisational, community and voluntary bodies.

## Personal attributes

- Commitment to the delivery of quality services to children, young people, families and carers.
- Ability to act on own initiative and consult where appropriate.
- Ability to work under pressure, make decisions in consultation with the line manager when appropriate.
- To be committed to adhering to best practice in the work and be innovative and open to change.
- Flexibility and adaptability are essential for this post.
- Ability to form objective relationships with children, young people, families/carers, colleagues and other agencies.

## Experience

- A minimum of 2 years' post-qualification experience of working with children and families impacted by trauma.
- Experience of planning, implementing and reviewing programmes with children and / or families.
- Experience of using evidence based or evidence informed methodologies.
- Training in and experience of parenting programmes.

## Qualifications

A recognised third level practice qualification **[1]** (minimum Level 7 on the QQI) in one of the following:

- Early Childhood Care and Education
- Social Care
- Education

- Social Work
- Youth Work

Or related discipline (Nursing, Psychology, Early Years' Education).

**Full driving licence and access to the use of a suitably insured car essential.**

The post-holder is initially assigned to work in the Bawnlea Tallaght, area but may be required in the future to work in other locations in Dublin area in line with Organisational needs

For full job description and to apply please visit [Current Job Vacancies – Barnardos \(https://www.barnardos.ie/about-us/careers/current-job-vacancies/\)](https://www.barnardos.ie/about-us/careers/current-job-vacancies/)

**Closing date:** 12pm on Friday 27th September 2024

**Interview date:** First week in October - TBC

Shortlisting will apply (please note, CVs are not accepted on their own, candidates must complete and submit our application form through Barnardos website).

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**[1]** Course content should include relevant student placements

**Region**

Tallaght, Dublin 24

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**Expiry Date**

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