

# <u>Addiction Response Crumlin: Addiction Practitioner</u> (https://www.activelink.ie/node/112002)

## **POSITION Addiction Practitioner**

**Employer** Addiction Response Crumlin Ltd

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## **Principle Duties and Responsibilities:**

The primary objective of this post is to manage all aspects of the ARC Cocaine & Poly Drug Use Programme. The post holder will be ultimately responsible for the direct day to day management of the ARC Cocaine & Poly Drug Use services for drug users. Duties will extend to include working as a frontline Addiction Practitioner in order to fulfill the policies, aims and objectives of the project.

#### **Overall Aim:**

- · This programme is designed to support and motivate people interested in detoxing from cocaine & poly drug use
- To develop support services for service users particularly cocaine and crack cocaine users
- To respond to the difficulties that service users are experiencing due to their substance misuse.
- Assist service users to develop positive coping and responsive skills, so they can address their addiction.

## **Reporting Relationship:**

The post holder shall carry out his/her duties under the line management of the Team Leader. The post holder will report directly to the Team Leader.

# Main Duties and Responsibilities:

- 1. To assist in the implementation and further development of the Cocaine & Poly Drug Use Programme.
- 2. Create and develop links with other key agencies to support progress of the Cocaine & Poly Drug Use Programme
- 3. To fully engage in the work of the team and to take up training opportunities offered where appropriate.
- 4. To positively promote all aspects of ARC and its services.
- 5. To provide focused one to one supports to help service users and identify needs and to equip them to become more self-reliant.
- 6. To promote healthy life skills/life styles in the target group
- 7. To inform service users of the affects that addiction can cause to an individual and to increase their knowledge, awareness of such.
- 8. To facilitate, in a professional and objective manner referrals, assessments and care plans for individuals accessing the service
- 9. Support for service users experiencing intimidation by informing them of services that are available to them to assist them with this issue.

## **Organisational Development**

- 1. Provide written reports to Line Manager
- 2. Attend staff meetings and other relevant project meetings and contribute to the overall development of ARC.
- 3. Keep the database and all written records of work/interventions/minutes of all meetings

# Knowledge / Skills / Aptitudes

- 1. An understanding of working with addiction, with particular emphasis on supporting people through change.
- 2. Ability to manage challenging behavior in a competent and professional manner

- 3. Experience of, and competence in working with both active and stabilized service users with substance misuse. An understanding of how low threshold drop-ins operate.
- 4. The ability to act upon own initiative within the context of professional boundaries and accountability.
- 5. Excellent interpersonal, networking and communication skills.
- 6. An understanding of, and an ability to objectively carry out individual needs assessment and developing and facilitating care plans.
- 7. Ability to manage crisis intervention situations.
- 8. A knowledge of the local geographic and demographic area of the Dublin 12 area.
- 9. Commitment and ability to work from a community development perspective and demonstrate its principles.
- 10. An ability to work as part of a team.

## **Objectives / Community**

- To liaise and network with relevant statutory, voluntary and community services.
- To develop relationships with the local community based on openness and trust.

#### **Evaluation**

- Keep accurate records of relevant ARC activities. Ensure that statistical data on service provision is available when requested.
- 2. Participate in ongoing planning and evaluation of the work of the Cocaine programme.
- 3. To assist in the development and implementation of ongoing evaluation processes which uses an outcome monitoring System i.e. logic model planning sheet.
- 4. To keep statistics and case studies as a support to evaluation.
- 5. To keep records and information on all aspects of the programme.

#### Flexible Hours

The nature of this post requires that the holder be flexible in working hours to cover the operational times of the service and the centre on a rota basis. This will involve scheduled evening and weekend work.

## Confidentiality

In the course of your duties, you will have access to and information concerning individuals and families using the ARC projects services. All such information will be treated in a strictly confidential way. The manager will be responsible for unauthorized access to this information.

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## To Apply

Curriculum vitae with a letter of application must be submitted with ARC's application form (attached below) by email closing date and time is Thursday 28th November 2024 at 5pm.

Return address: recruitment@addictionresponsecrumlin.ie (mailto:recruitment@addictionresponsecrumlin.ie)

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#### Region

Dublin 12

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