

Ballyfermot STAR: Seeking Safety Project Worker **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/112693>)**



Ballyfermot STAR CLG

Post Title: Seeking Safety Project Worker

Address: 7 Drumfinn Park, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10

Post Hours: 15

Post Salary: €35,490 (Pro Rata)

Accountable to: Team Leader

Purpose of post: To work with and support Ballyfermot STAR CLG in delivering the Seeking Safety programme on an individual and group basis.

Background

The Seeking Safety Ireland is a peer-informed project which has been supported by the Department of Health. The commitment is to develop and implement a cross sectoral, interagency Irish adaptation of the Seeking Safety model to support hard to reach people who experience both mental health and substance use issues, paying particular attention to those experiencing domestic and sexual gender-based violence. Research has shown both internationally and here in Ireland that co-production, co-delivery and a fully integrated approach is the most beneficial way to support individuals in our services.

Seeking Safety works from the premise that people who have the dual diagnosis of PTSD and Substance Use are more likely to engage in less safe drug and alcohol using activities and veer towards poly drug use. They generally experience a variety of life problems and will have an enduring relationship with both diagnoses. Also, they are unlikely to have the life skills to create the safety they need for the impacts of PTSD to reduce and the need for the painkilling task of substance use to decline.

Seeking Safety Project Worker

The Project Worker will be trained in delivering the Seeking Safety Ireland programme and so will not need to know about how to run a Seeking Safety programme in order to apply for this post. This individual will be responsible for delivering the Seeking Safety programme on an individual and group basis in collaboration with the Seeking Safety Peer Support Worker.

The Role

The Seeking Safety Project worker will work directly with participants impacted by dual diagnosis of addiction and mental health to engage in a facilitated psycho-educational programme based on the Seeking Safety model.

The Project worker will

- Recruit and assess the suitability of participants to engage in the programme.
- Facilitate the programme for participants impacted by dual diagnosis in partnership with the Peer Support Worker.
- Create an effective care plan for each participant over the course of their engagement in the programme.
- Engage with supervision and reflective practice.
- Ensure that a safety plan exists for each participant, identifying and supporting access to appropriate supports as

- required to support successful completion of the programme.
- Review, reflect and record the outcomes for participants.
- Review and critically reflect outcomes and learning to share with relevant stake holders.
- Report to Team Leader on progress and outcomes and work in collaboration with the Seeking Safety model for the effective case management of each participant.
- Apply learning to practice ensuring that Seeking Safety as a model is sustainable, transferable, process and outcomes focused.
- Work as part of the team in Ballyfermot STAR CLG, if required assisting with other work that may emerge in your time as a Project Worker.
- Have the capacity to provide an inclusive and safe environment for people accessing the programme

Essential Criteria

- Degree (Level 7) in Social Care/Social Policy/Social Work/Addiction/ Community and Youth Work and or equivalent
- 3 Years direct experience working with individuals and groups in addiction, mental health with direct and demonstratable group facilitation experience and skills.
- Experience of working with people who have been impacted by the dual diagnosis of addiction and mental health.
- Experience of designing and delivering a group process and experience of bringing a group to its conclusion including reviewing and critically assessing process and outcomes.
- Excellent interpersonal and facilitation skills.
- A team player who has experience of efficient and accurate computer/recording skills.

Other

- Availability for flexible rostered working hours is essential
- Garda Vetting will apply

The above job description is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all duties involved and consequently, the post holder may be required to perform other duties as appropriate to the post which may be assigned to him/her from time to time and contribute to the development of the post while in office.

- Closing date **Friday 24th January 4pm**
- Shortlisting will apply.

CV and cover letter to be sent to info@ballyfermotstar.ie (<mailto:info@ballyfermotstar.ie>)

Region

Dublin 10

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