

**Job Specification**

**Job Title:** Mental Health Specialist

**Reporting to:** Northwest Housing First – Team Leader

**Location of Service:** This is a regional service, covering Sligo, Leitrim and Donegal. This post is covering the Sligo & Leitrim area, with the office based in Sligo town.

**Primary Purpose:** To carry out a holistic approach while working to the ethos of Housing First in a multidisciplinary team. Supporting individuals who have experienced long-term homelessness and complex trauma to live independently in their own homes.

**Essential Criteria:** Level 9 Qualification in Social Work. Equivalent relevant qualification in Psychology or Mental Health studies will be considered.

Experience working with marginalised groups.

A full driver’s licence and access to own car.

**Desired Experience:** Relevant experience in case management and advocacy. Further training in approaches for a mental health tool kit, such as, but not limited to, trauma informed care, hearing voices workshops, stress management, mindfulness and techniques in managing and regulating emotions.

**Hours of Work:** 37.5 Hours per week. Please note this position will require flexibility in relation to working hours.

**Salary:** €50, 973.33 per annum.

**Service Hours:** Service will be provided Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm, with the prospect of occasional Saturday shifts.

**Garda Vetting:** The successful candidate will undergo two Garda Vetting before commencing employment.

**References:** The successful candidate will undergo two reference checks before commencing employment.