



Job Advertisement

Do you have a resilient and empathetic personality and a genuine passion for supporting people? We have an exciting opportunity to recruit a full time and part time IDVA to join our highly experienced team. If you have experience of supporting individuals with complex needs from a trauma informed perspective, then Fortalice wants to hear from you!

Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA)

2 X 12 month temporary contracts with the possibility of extension subject to successful funding:

Full time - 37 hours

Part time - 17.5 hours

£12.10 per hour

Background Information

Fortalice was established in 1977 to provide emergency accommodation and support for women and children experiencing domestic abuse within their own homes.

The project has expanded over the years and now provides a diverse range of services for adults, families, children and young people within both Refuge and Outreach Support Centre. The ethos of Fortalice in relation to support is to focus on self-help, promoting self-esteem, developing new skills, confidence and independence to enable victims to break free from abusive relationships and reduce the chance of re-victimisation, this moving on to a self-sustaining, independent life.

Purpose of the role:

To provide a high-quality frontline service to victims of domestic abuse, delivering a service to those at highest risk and advocating on their behalf. To reduce/minimise the risk of further abuse. To work within a multi-agency framework consisting of the MARAC and local partnership responses to domestic abuse.

The post will involve various duties to meet the needs of the organisation and will be based over 2 sites, including working with partner agencies at a site in the community.



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Key skills:

- Hold a SafeLives IDVA training certificate or have relevant experience in working with victims of domestic abuse.
- Have a good understanding of domestic abuse including the impact of domestic abuse on victims and their children.
- Have a thorough understanding and knowledge of domestic abuse service provision in Bolton to be able to offer support and appropriate sign posting to domestic abuse victims.
- Understand the principles of risk assessment, safety planning and risk management for victims of domestic abuse and their children.

How to apply and other information:

- **Women only applicants can apply for the post as this is an occupational requirement in accordance with paragraph 1, schedule 9 of the Equality Act under section 7.2e of the Equality Act 2010.**
- **As this is a community based project and the work will involve travelling to different venues, therefore it is essential to have a current valid driving licence and access to a vehicle with business insurance for work.**
- The posts will be subject to an enhanced DBS check due to the nature of the work undertaken by the organisation.
- Please note we do not accept CV's.
- To apply for a post, please request an application pack by email jobs@fortalice.co.uk
- The closing date for applications to be returned is midnight Monday 27th June 2022. Please note that any completed applications received after this date will not be considered.
- Successful applicants will be invited to an interview via email. Please note that if we receive a high volume of applications, we may be unable to contact applicants who are not shortlisted for an interview.