

**Experience-led Lothian-wide Projects –  
Collective Advocacy Worker – Oor Mad History**

**Person Specification**

**ESSENTIAL**

- Have experience of working alongside people who use mental health services and have knowledge of the issues they face;
- Have an understanding of Collective Advocacy and the SIAA Principles and Standards of Independent Advocacy;
- Have experience of producing written material and preparing and delivering verbal presentations, adapting style and language to suit the audience;
- Have experience of working in a non-directive and non-judgemental way, putting the views and wishes of the people you are working with first;
- Have experience of facilitating groups and of best practice in involving group members;
- Have experience of working independently and completing tasks to agreed timescales – being self-motivated and able to use initiative appropriately;
- IT skills: ability to use Microsoft Office computer packages, including Word, Publisher and Outlook; experience of using social media and online survey tools;
- Know how to plan, structure, deliver and evaluate training.

**DESIRABLE**

- Know how to develop visual and printed resources e.g. books, websites, exhibition material;
- Have experience of gathering and analysing information in a research context, ideally with a community history focus.