

The Advocacy Project Trainee Advocacy Worker Person Specification

ADVOCACY WORKER	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
QUALIFICATIONS	Good standard of general education	Qualification in social care, social sciences, law, information & advice
EXPERIENCE	 Evidence an understanding of managing a caseload. Experience in positively contributing to effective team working. Experience in working on their own initiative 	 Experience of working within the field of independent advocacy Experience of working in the field of social care.
SKILLS & ATTRIBUTES	 Excellent written and oral communication. An ability to engage with individuals. Effective planning and organisational skills Computer efficient Effective time management Proficient in presentation skills. Ability to work under pressure 	Ability to demonstrate a positive approach to problem solving.
VALUES & ATTITUDES	 A demonstrated commitment to the principles of empowerment. Commitment to equality and human rights 	An understanding of the principles, standards and benefits of independent advocacy.
KNOWLEDGE	 Understanding of equalities issues An understanding of the issues/barriers affecting vulnerable individuals 	 Understanding of the legislative framework of health & social care. Understanding of statutory sector structures An understanding of local and political structures.