**Emerging Trends and Training Coordinator**

**JOB DESCRIPTION AND PERSON SPECIFICATION**

**Responsible to:**  Chief Executive Officer

**Starting Salary:**   £31,000 plus 5% employer’s pension contribution

**Working Hours:**  35 hours per week

**Office Base:**        32 Cockburn Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1PB (with regular travel across Scotland)

and working from home as required by Scottish Government COVID-19

guidance.

**Organisation profile**

Crew is an award-winning national charity, based in Edinburgh, at the forefront of tackling new and emerging drug trends. Crew reduces harm from drug use without judgement and improves public health with the input of people who use drugs, working with a wide range of local, national and international partners.

**ROLE PURPOSE**

* To advance knowledge, skills and understanding of drugs and drug trends within the Crew team and the wider workforce and to reduce drug related harm for people affected by drugs by providing high quality training.
* To work with organisations including but not limited to Alcohol and Drug Partnerships, councils, Police Scotland, the NHS, the Scottish Prison Service and voluntary agencies to share knowledge and respond to drug trends.
* To be the knowledge and training lead for the organisation on new drugs, coordinating Crew’s emerging trends work.
* To coordinate, design, plan, deliver and evaluate a range of training courses offered by Crew including emerging trends, new psychoactive substances (NPS), psychostimulants, and effective interventions with people who take drugs.
* To oversee work conducted by associate and sessional trainers for Crew. This includes offering supervision and providing quality assurance for training courses provided by Crew.
* In conjunction with the CEO and Board, development, implementation, delivery and evaluation of the annual training operational plan, including the development and delivery of training to generate income.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Service Delivery**

* You will provide 2-tier training approach of direct/front line training and Training for Trainers on emerging trends, psychostimulants, and effective interventions with people who use drugs for Alcohol and Drug Partnerships across Scotland based on need.
* You will be the point of contact for emerging drug trends for the Scottish Government assisting them with drug trend information, prevalence and contribute to government requests as required.
* You will develop existing Crew training and design new Crew training with a particular focus on emerging drug trends.
* You will be responsible for ensuring the effective coordination, planning, delivery and evaluation of training events, which are responsive to the needs of training participants and external partners.
* You will be responsible for supporting the development of drug trend monitoring groups across Scotland and UK and will contribute to existing groups by attending meetings and/or sharing trend information.
* You will be responsible for securing continuation funding for the post and unrestricted funding either through fundraising or income generation training revenue.
* You will contribute to information production and quality assurance of materials produced by Crew including Crew’s website. This includes working closely with the Nightlife Harm Reduction Coordinator, Training Officer and the Information Sub Committee, external partners and people with lived and living experience.
* You will be responsible for effective communication with people accessing services, members of the public, and stakeholders at training events and meetings.
* You will work with the CEO, Board and wider Emerging Trends and Training Team to develop a Communications Strategy.
* You will oversee the work of the wider Emerging Trends and Training Team such as data collection, information production, website and social media updates and health-focussed harm reduction interventions in nightlife settings.

**Management of Staff/Volunteers**

* You will have direct line management responsibility for the Training Officer and Nightlife Harm Reduction Coordinator posts.
* You will be responsible for the overall coordinating, training and motivating of staff/volunteers working on training events, setting high standards at all times. You will provide ongoing feedback to staff/volunteers where necessary and ensure any concerns are fed back to their supervisor.
* You will manage the evaluation and quality assurance of training courses delivered by Crew staff/volunteers, ensuring that courses meet with Crew’s ethos and values and provide accurate, up to date information.
* You will contribute to volunteer induction, training and development in conjunction with other key staff and volunteers.
* You will be responsible for the quality, safety, and security of the training working environment including, implementation of appropriate health and safety practices and ensuring that Crew meets legal and statutory requirements.

**Service planning and development**

* You will be responsible for managing the training budget and the financial reporting and reconciliation that goes with this.
* You will be responsible for the monitoring and evaluation of training and the production of regular quarterly outcome reports for Crew Board and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) as well as 6-monthly progress reports and end of year project reports to key stakeholders such as the Scottish Government.
* In conjunction with the CEO you will contribute to strategic planning and development of the operational plan for training to achieve service goals, targets and Crew’s mission.

**MEASURES OF SUCCESS**

* All Alcohol and Drug Partnership’s in Scotland are offered places on drug trend training
* Attendance at drug trend monitoring groups and other meetings
* More than 70% of trainees evidence improvement in skills, confidence, knowledge and understanding
* Achievement of all funder objectives
* Achievement of all development outcomes set in annual appraisal
* Development of a Crew Communications Strategy

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| **Essential** | **Desirable** |
| Knowledge | |
| * Strong working knowledge of psychostimulants, new psychoactive substances and drug trends * Knowledge of relevant drug strategies, policies and research * Sound general substance and treatment/recovery agenda knowledge * Knowledge of training cycle, monitoring and evaluation methods and theories of learning | * Awareness of social networking * Knowledge of the varieties of nightlife settings and networks |
| Skills | |
| * Excellent verbal and written communication skills, including the ability to understand, critically appraise and communicate complex data and evidence, such as statistical and scientific data, in an accessible way to a range of audiences * Excellent project management skills * Ability to develop effective relationships with key stakeholders * Ability to balance competing priorities and work to tight deadlines * Ability to work under pressure in an extremely busy environment * Good level of IT literacy including working knowledge of Microsoft Office | * Survey design skills * Media handling skills * Experience of website management * Track record of effective social media communication |
| Previous Experience | |
| * Experience of working with drug trends * Experience of providing training and/or group facilitation * Experience of training course and supporting materials design * Experience of conducting learning needs analysis and evaluation * Experience of delivering effective staff/volunteer supervision | * Experience of presenting at large events and conferences * Experience of event/conference coordination |
| Education/Training | |
| * Higher education/professional qualification in training, learning and development or community education ***or*** three years’ experience of***:*** * delivering training and evidence of CPD e.g. Training for Trainers or * working in the drugs field and further education qualification in a related discipline | * Qualified S/NVQ assessor * Higher education/professional qualification in management or related discipline * Training in brief interventions, motivational interviewing or counselling skills |
| Attitudes/Personality | |
| * Commitment to promoting motivated and skilled staff teams * Willingness to lead and coach others * Commitment to Crew’s ethos and understanding of the need to work **with** people to effect positive changes * Committed to Crew’s organisational values of being:   + Accepting: “non-judgemental, unconditional positive regard”   + Genuine: “being genuine and real with each other”   + Empathic: “walking in someone else’s shoes as if they were your own”   + Justice-focussed: “acting to change the balance of power towards justice, equality and human dignity”   + Accountable: “we trust in our courage to own mistakes and learn from them; we are realistic about what we commit to do, and we do it” |  |
| Other | |
| * Ability to work flexible hours including evenings and weekends with a time in lieu system * Willingness to travel across Scotland, including overnight stays * Occasional travel to the rest of the UK and Europe | * Drivers’ license and access to a vehicle |

To apply for this post please complete the accompanying application form and return to [applications@crew2000.org.uk](mailto:applications@crew2000.org.uk) by **12.00 Noon Wednesday 5th January 2022.**

Please note that this email address will not be monitored until after the closing date – please contact [admin@crew2000.org.uk](mailto:admin@crew2000.org.uk) if you have a query.

Please note that no applications received after this time and date will be accepted.

Interviews will take place **Friday 14th January 2022**

**Please note that we regret that we cannot guarantee to contact applicants whose application is not shortlisted.**

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