



Job Description and Person Specification

Job Title: Health Project Worker

Hours of work: 18.75 hours per week

Salary: £13,800 per annum

Location: Hybrid working – home based but able to travel to Falkirk frequently

Reports to: Line Manager.

About Ama-zing harmonies

Ama-zing Harmonies is a registered Scottish charity aimed to improve community health in Edinburgh. The organisation focuses particularly on minority health and inclusion, offering activities for mental health through workshops, arts, cultural activities, and community awareness events, as well as physical health through sports activities and healthy food relief programmes. We additionally offer an intergenerational community music group which functions as a core bridge to the community allowing participants to share in cross-cultural art, and improve well-being.

At Ama-zing harmonies we take an approach to HIV, Hepatitis C and Sexual. We work closely with communities, starting conversations about these issues, encouraging people to access testing and empowering them to make choices that improve their health and well-being.

We're also here for people living with HIV or hepatitis B&C, working with them to understand their needs and offering practical support that helps them to live well.

Everything we do is guided by the experiences of the people we work with. By sharing these experiences, along with information people can trust, we want to challenge the stigma associated with HIV, hepatitis C and sexual health, and address the broader inequalities that our communities face.

About the post:

To provide support services for people living with Blood Borne Viruses (BBVs) in Falkirk. The post holder will be part of a team working with those at higher risk of BBV transmission such as specific services for people who inject drugs and for local African communities.

This role will particularly emphasize supporting people from local African communities on issues directly related to their HIV status (for example treatment adherence issues, disengagement, formula feeding to avoid transmission to children, etc.).

About the person:

- A demonstrable interest in, and passion for, improving the lives of people affected by blood-borne viruses.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to develop positive relationships with a range of Stakeholders.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills appropriate for a wide range of audiences.

Main duties and responsibilities:

1. Provide one-to-one emotional support to service users to identify and overcome barriers to improving their health and well-being.
2. Facilitate opportunities for one-to-one and group peer support.
3. Work with faith groups and faith leaders to promote sexual health education in churches and other faith organisations.
4. Give sexual health seminars in churches, and community groups and carry out tests for blood-borne viruses (training will be provided)
5. Promote the value of testing and knowing your Blood Borne Virus (BBV) status.
6. Deliver BBV and sexual health advice and support.
7. Record and keep up-to-date records of all client interventions.
8. Work with other members of the team to provide required plans and reports to our funders.
9. To work effectively with a range of partners in the local area including health colleagues and others in voluntary and statutory sector services.
10. To participate in a system of support and supervision.
11. Undertake any other duties, which may be reasonably required.
12. Participate in Ama-zing Harmonie's activities as requested.

Training for these roles will be provided however, a working knowledge is essential.

Person Specification – Health Project worker

Skills and Experience	
Essential	Desirable
<p>Understanding of sexual health and blood borne viruses</p> <p>Knowledge of the issues affecting people living with or at risk of BBVs</p> <p>Experience in person-centred working</p> <p>Experience in offering support to vulnerable adults.</p> <p>Ability to work in partnership with a range of stakeholders</p> <p>Excellent interpersonal and communications skills – written and verbal</p> <p>Strong problem-solving skills</p> <p>IT skills</p> <p>Experience working with and supporting Volunteers</p> <p>Working at weekends</p>	<p>Current clean driving licence.</p> <p>Experience working with and supporting Volunteers.</p> <p>Basic Data analysis and good reporting skills</p>
Values and Behaviours	
Essential	Desirable
<p>Able to take a pro-active, creative and solution focused approach</p> <p>A team player with the ability to develop good working relationships with staff, service users and partners.</p>	
<p>Self-aware, courteous, and respectful of service users and colleagues.</p> <p>Able to take a high level of personal responsibility, delivering work and making decisions independently and appropriately.</p>	

