

## Vacancy: Staff Nurse Residential Stabilisation



**Contract:**  
Full time



**Location:**  
Dublin City



**Reporting to:**  
Clinical Nurse Manager



**€** 33,778-48,910

### About Peter McVerry Trust

Peter McVerry Trust is a national housing and homeless charity committed to reducing homelessness and the harm caused by substance misuse and social disadvantage.

The charity provides low-threshold entry services, primarily to younger people and vulnerable adults with complex needs, and offers pathways out of homelessness based on the principles of the Housing First model.

#### Role overview

Peter McVerry Trust's Residential Stabilisation Service currently offers several Tier 4 residential programmes, including:

- Supervised opiate substitution stabilisation
- Supervised benzodiazepine stabilisation
- Stabilisation from poly-substance and/or alcohol use

All programmes are five weeks in duration and are under the supervision of a Level 2 prescribing GP with clinics on-site daily. The service provides 24-hour on-site nursing cover and operates under full HSE Clinical Governance.

# Responsibilities

## To the Clinical Nurse Manager:

- To work for Peter McVerry Trust within the authority delegated to him/her by the Clinical Nurse Manager;
- Meet with the Clinical Nurse Manager at regular intervals regarding the progress of his/her work;
- To assist the Clinical Nurse Manager in the day to day running of the project.

## 2. Nursing Responsibilities:

- To lead on the dispensing, storage and recording of medication in line with best practice
- Uphold all agreed quality standards and participate in the evaluation and audit of services in order to improve quality, standards of care and ensure clinical effectiveness.
- To be cognisant of and comply with the An Bord Altranais code of professional conduct.
- Deliver nursing care to participants over a 24-hour rostered period.
- Provide the health education/health promotion service to clients.
- In conjunction with the duty team, deliver nursing care to clients in line with Residential Community Detox policies, procedures and systems ensuring they meet the requirements of the key service objectives.
- Ensure Nursing registration requirements are maintained.

## 3. To provide direct support to participants through:

- Intervention, support and supervision;
- As part of a multi-disciplinary duty team in a residential crisis intervention Service, to provide health assessment, to plan, implement and evaluate care plans and to provide direct nursing and social care to drug users in crisis.
- Provide the health education/health promotion service to clients.
- When required, advocacy and referral to community services;
- Supervising the behaviour of the participants at all times;
- Liaising with the appropriate staff in accessing move-on accommodation for the participants;
- Planning recreational and/or group activities.
- To offer key working sessions on an ongoing basis to assist clients in making decisions regarding move on options and their recovery path for the future

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### **4. To assist with participants' case work through:**

- Effective communication with all Peter McVerry Trust staff
- Key-working with participants to aid in the process of long term goal setting
- Assisting with participant's Individual Personal Plans;
- Ensuring that participants are fully informed about all entitlements.
- To instill hope in clients in respects of positive change and overall improvement in regards to quality of life

### **5. To maintain a safe and healthy living environment through:**

- Adherence to safety and security protocols;
- Assigning routine tasks and domestic duties to participants;
- Keeping stock of household necessities and purchasing weekly groceries;
- Providing meals along with participants;
- Advice and help to participants with housekeeping needs;
- Mediating disputes and encouraging co-operation.

### **6. To respond to requests for service through:**

- Links with other Peter Mc Verry Trust services, screening and assessment;
- Communication of information and referral to resources;
- Offering ongoing support to former participants;
- To liaise with past participants to offer support, advice and guidance in regards to accessing services, accommodation etc.

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### **7. To undertake administrative duties through:**

- Maintaining participants' details and documentation;
- Actively participating in staff meetings;
- Providing written reports to the Clinical Nurse Manager where necessary;
- Recording any Incidents / Accidents that may occur.
- Reviewing care plans and safety plans weekly and ensuring any changes to client care are documented and relevant adjustments are implemented to cater for the clients' needs in a holistic manner

### **8. Change in work programme:**

- It may be necessary, from time to time, for workload to be re-prioritised in order to accommodate workloads in other areas of the organisation. Due notice and consultation will be given.

### **9. To have a positive and enthusiastic attitude in work:**

- In your interactions with management, staff and participants of the Peter McVerry Trust.
- In your interactions with external agencies while representing the Peter McVerry Trust.

### **10. Other Duties:**

- Any other duties as designated by the Clinical Nurse Manager.
- Any other duties which may arise in line with catering for the needs of our clients

## Person Specification

### Qualifications and Experience:

- Nursing Qualification – BSc in Psychiatric , General or Intellectual Disability (RNID)
- Up to date An Bord Altranais Registration
- Essential competencies: communication skills, commitment to providing the highest level of service, professionalism and maintaining professional boundaries, respect for others, promoting choice independence, health and well-being and resilience & positive outlook (All other competencies to be reviewed as part of the supervision and support process)
- Calm and client centered approach to their work.
- Full-clean driving licence and car
  
- Desirable: Experience of working with clients detoxing from methadone in a residential setting. A keen interest in the area of addiction and an overall awareness/understanding of the social implications of drug misuse

## Employee benefits

- Attractive salary: 33,778-48,910
- 21 days annual leave allowance
- Core Professional Training and CPD
- Cycle to Work Scheme and Tax Saver
- Death in Service Benefit
- Employee Assistance Programme
- Career progression opportunities

### How to apply:

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