

## Job Description

<b>Job title:</b>	Project Worker – Residential Community Detox
<b>Department:</b>	Addiction and Recovery
<b>Reporting to:</b>	Clinical Nurse Manager
<b>Salary:</b>	€38,143 - €39,752
<b>Hours:</b>	Fulltime
<b>Location:</b>	Garristown, Co.Meath
<b>Mandatory:</b>	Full driving licence

### Role overview

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 role of Project Worker – Residential Community Detox plays an essential role in a team delivering high quality support to our participants in a residential environment.

Residential Detox (6-week Programme) and Treatment programme (4-week Programme) are nurse led and run from our service located in North Dublin consisting of 6 acres of gardens and tranquil surroundings.

The programmes are based on the 7 pillars of recovery including horticulture, group therapy acupuncture and animal husbandry This service caters for individuals who are going through detox from methadone and those wishing to cease their use of cannabis, cocaine or alcohol.

A pre-admission referral and case management system is in operation, and post-placement progression is supported by way of a key working system and established pathways to recognised day and residential treatment providers. This service operates with full clinical governance from the HSE.

### Responsibilities

The role of Project Worker will include but not limited to, the following key responsibilities;

#### **To the Manager/Project Leader;**

- To work for Peter McVerry Trust within the authority delegated to him/her by the Manager
- Meet with the Manager at regular intervals regarding the progress of his/her work;
- To assist the Manager in delivering quality service, adhering to the service structure and contract.

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### **To provide direct support to participants through:**

- Completing face to face key working to work collaboratively with the participant regarding areas of focus such as addiction, relationships, communication and personal development.
- Developing a support plan based on observed priority needs in collaboration with the participants and forwarding referrals to aftercare supports
- Linking the participant to services, resources, and supports as specified in the support plan. For example to entitlements, treatment, medical care, housing, etc.
- To facilitate group work utilizing psychoeducation in regards to the topics of addiction and recovery
- Assisting the participants in developing daily living skills
- Performing crisis intervention to resolve any conflicts
- Supporting participants to avail of reintegration outings and family visits

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

- Adhering to safety and security protocol inclusive of estate management checks and fire safety guidelines
- Actively engaging in daily household chores
- Ensuring that the environment and communal areas, are maintained to a high standard at all times;
- Advising and supporting residents with housekeeping needs

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

- Linking in with other Peter McVerry Trust services, screening and assessment;
- Communication of information and referral to services where required;

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

- Documentation of the daily project worker handover
- Maintaining accurate key working minutes
- Ensuring all documentation requirements are fulfilled in regards to service activities
- Attend staff meetings, case review meetings, supervisory meetings, and training as required Providing written reports to the Manager/ Team Leader where necessary;
- Recording any Incidents / Accidents that may occur.

### **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 organization. Due notice and consultation will be given.

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

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

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- In your interactions with external agencies while representing the Peter McVerry Trust.

### Other Duties:

- Undertake any other agreed duties to ensure the provision of the service.

## Experience required

Qualifications, Skills and Experience required;

### Full drivers license essential

- Degree level qualification in housing, social care/youth work, addiction studies or related field;
- Essential competencies: Commitment to providing the highest level of service, respect for others, openness to change, communication skills– oral, aural and written, contributing to the prevention and management of challenging behavior, professionalism & maintaining professional boundaries and effective team working. (All other competencies to be reviewed as part of the supervision and support process);
- Ability to work independently and within a team environment and exercise mature judgement;
- Work schedule is a sleep over role from 10am to 10am

## Other information

All employees are required to adhere to PMVT's policies and procedures including but not limited to;

- Confidentiality: it is a condition of service that all information obtained during the course of employment, especially with regard to participants affairs is treated with the strictest confidence.
- Equal Opportunities: to implement equal opportunities into your daily practice at all times.
- Health and Safety: to be responsible for your own health and safety and that of your colleagues in accordance with relevant PMVT policies and procedures.
- Child Protection: follow all child protection legislation, regulations, and guidelines including the PMVT Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy.

## Benefits

- Attractive Salary
- Core Professional Training and CPD

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- Cycle to Work Scheme and Tax Saver
- Death in Service Benefit
- Employee Assistance Programme Career progression opportunities

## How to apply

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