

Equine-Assisted Therapist & Referral Co-ordinator Vacancy

Location: Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship, Dartington Hall, Devon, TQ9 6EB

Reports to: Managing Director

Hours: 21 hrs per week across 3 days (35 hrs FTE) (holidays to be taken in school holidays)

Salary: £12,600 pa pro rata (£21,000 pa FTE)

Term: 3-year fixed term contract aligned to grant funding

Sirona is now seeking an experienced Equine-Assisted Practitioner and Referral Co-ordinator to help develop our provision at Sirona. You will support on Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship's therapeutic and education equine-assisted programmes. Working as part of a collaborative and supportive team, this role focuses on co-ordinating referral activity with relevant partners and organisations, as well as delivering therapeutic programme activity for vulnerable groups.

Skills and Experience required:

- A professional qualification in counselling/psychotherapy at level 4 or above.
- Experience of working as an equine-assisted counsellor with disadvantaged young people and adults.
- Highly developed equine skills within a positive reinforcement training approach.
- Good administration, organisational and computer skills.
- Publicity and media experience.
- Positive attitude, extremely flexible and good team worker.

Role includes:

- Acting as a counsellor and practitioner on equine-assisted therapy and educational sessions with vulnerable groups.
- Co-ordination of the referral programme, liaising with organisations such as local authority social services, schools and other organisations and private referrals.
- Evaluation, outcome measures and research projects.
- Design, co-ordination and delivery of courses both to the public and participants.
- Support with media, events and publicity work.
- Overseeing horse care, yard and staff management as required.

How to apply:

Job description, application form and equal opportunities monitor form can be found **here**

Application closing date: 31st October. Interviews in early November for January 2022 start date.

The successful applicant will agree to an enhanced DBS being carried out in line with Sirona's safer recruitment policy.