

Person Specification Waking Night Support Worker Phase One

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Experience	Essential	Desirable
Experience of providing emotional and practical support for at risk adults who have complex needs.	X	
Experience of assessing needs and risks.	X	
Experience of working collaboratively with agencies related to client support and service delivery.	X	
Experience of crisis management and safety planning.		X
Lived experience and the confidence to use this in a way that supports others (e.g. mental health, addiction, homelessness)		X

Knowledge	Essential	Desirable
Knowledge of safeguarding issues in relation to adults.	X	
Knowledge of associated support needs for individuals experiencing mental health and substance misuse difficulties.	X	
Knowledge and an understanding of risk management and Health and Safety and the ability to implement policy and procedure.	Х	
Knowledge of housing management and tenancy issues.		X

Skills/Abilities	Essential	Desirable
Ability to respond calmly and practically to incidents and writing clear case notes and incident reports.	X	
Competent use of Microsoft software packages especially Word and Outlook.		X
Ability to manage conflict constructively and safely by challenging appropriately and setting fair and proportionate boundaries.	X	
Ability to provide a welcoming and empowering environment to all clients	X	
Ability to communicate clearly with clients, colleagues, and other stakeholders.	X	
Ability to work on own initiative and under pressure.	X	
Ability to work as part of a team.	X	
Good time management skills and ability to prioritise workloads.	X	
Ability to demonstrate empathy towards clients with complex needs and to deal sensitively with clients in distress.	X	



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Ability to use non-judgemental and positive approaches in all	X	
interactions with clients and to treat all clients with dignity and		
respect		

Personal Qualities	Essential	Desirable
Commitment to continuous professional development.	X	
Professional approach and attitude to support clients.	Х	
Motivated to deliver excellence.	X	
Commitment to BHT Sussex's mission, values, aims and objectives.	X	

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