



JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Advance delivers nationally accredited, quality marked services in Hammersmith & Fulham, Westminster, Kensington and Chelsea. We work within a coordinated partnership response to domestic violence to provide independent domestic violence advocacy and support for women, children and young people and women's community services for women who are involved in the criminal justice system, in anti-social behaviour or are at risk of breaking the law.

Female* Mental Health IDVA

Contract: Fixed-Term Contract until 31st March 2019

Salary: £27,000 per annum Inc. Inner London Weighting

Working hours: 35 hours per week according to contract terms

Pension: Workplace Pension

Work Location: Westminster, Kensington and Chelsea and Hammersmith & Fulham

The Mental Health IDVA will work within a dynamic, fast paced, crisis intervention, advocacy and support service to ensure the voice of survivors informs every stage of the process specialising in working with clients for whom mental health is a factor. They will work within the team to make proactive contact and provide high quality advocacy and support based upon a client led needs and risk assessment to women from age 13, focusing on working with those aged 18 and over who access the domestic abuse service. They will advise women on criminal justice and civil remedies and related matters, support women to attend court where necessary, and coordinate the provision of multi-agency support. Part of the role will be to establish positive, proactive and innovative working relationships with services providing mental health intervention and partner agencies within Angelou Partnership this will include the creation and delivery of training in partnership with other agencies. The postholder will work across the three boroughs under the guidance of the team leaders and programme manager.

The postholder will be skilled in risk management and safety planning, remaining calm in a crisis and in handling sensitive information on a daily basis. Experience of direct work with female survivors of domestic violence, of supporting women involved with Children's Social Services, substance misuse agencies, housing and mental health agencies, and of working within safeguarding procedures is essential for this post, as is the need to adopt and promote a strong partnership approach to service provision.

Advance is committed to equality and diversity and welcomes applications from all sections of the community. The post will be subject to an enhanced DBS check and is open to women only (*Exempt under the Equality Act 2010 Schedule 9, Part 1).

Benefits include 30 days holiday per year pro rata, workplace pension and childcare vouchers.

Closing date: 1pm, Friday, 24th August 2018 **Interview date:** Tuesday, 28th August 2018 and Wednesday, 29th August 2018

To apply: Download the application form and Job Description from our website at <http://advancecharity.org.uk/work-for-us/>

Completed applications should be emailed to recruitment@advancecharity.org.uk or posted marked 'Private and Confidential' to: Advance, BSU Recruitment, PO Box 74643, London W6 6JU.

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