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Assistant Psychologist

Professional Qualification

University of Edinburgh – MSc Psychology of Mental Health (Conversion) - 2017-2018

University of Edinburgh – MA (Hons) History - 2012-2016

Professional Membership

Graduate Membership with the British Psychological Society (MBPsS)

Current Role

As an Assistant Psychologist at Headwise Ltd I am supervised by Professor Andrew Worthington, Consultant Neuropsychologist and Director.

This role involves:

- Assisting with the preparation of expert witness reports
- Working within multi-disciplinary teams across a variety of Rehabilitation Units
- Neuropsychological assessment with clients that have suffered neurological injury/illness
- Preparing reports detailing rehabilitation potential
- Rehabilitation of cognitive, emotional and neurobehavioural needs
- Providing training to family members and support staff on brain injury/illness and behavioural and emotional issues
- Provision of sports concussion assessments for local professional boxers
- Research work
- Management of company's social media presence

Career Pathway:

Assistant Psychologist & Rehabilitation Assistant, The Oakleaf Group (April 2019 – August 2019)

This was a split role where I worked as both a Rehabilitation Assistant and an Assistant Psychologist on a 22-bed ward for males with varying levels of difficulty following a diagnosis of an Acquired Brain Injury. This role enhanced my interpersonal skills and ability to build rapport to engage individuals in rehabilitation. Working as part of the wider multi-disciplinary team developed my understanding of other disciplines perspective and how to work together to achieve the most advantageous outcomes in a rehabilitation setting post-injury.

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***Mental Health Support Worker, Scottish Association of Mental Health (SAMH)
(August 2018 – January 2019)***

This was a community-based role working with individuals suffering from long term mental health difficulties. I worked closely with individuals and their psychologists and psychiatrists facilitating outcomes discussed in weekly meetings to enhance development and growth.

***Assistant Activities Worker, Royal Edinburgh Hospital, SAMH
(January 2018 – September 2018)***

I previously worked at the activity centre in the Royal Edinburgh Hospital with in-patients. This centre facilitated an opportunity for the patients to spend time away from the ward setting and engage with others to develop skills and communication. To support and enable this, I organised and carried out weekly activity groups on topics requested by the patients such as art, music and fitness and facilitated support groups on hearing voices, addiction and self-harm for individuals engaging actively in rehabilitation.

***Email Befriender, B-eat
(September 2017 – August 2018)***

This was a one-year pilot scheme designed to provide email support on a one to one basis to young people with an eating disorder, aged between 12-25 years old or to someone who cares for an individual living with an eating disorder. This service was developed to offer support and guidance to those in need; it enhanced my ability to manage boundaries and adapt my communication style where necessary as all contact was via email.

***Volunteer Support Worker, Rowan Alba
(October 2016 – June 2018)***

CARDS (Community Alcohol Related Damage Service) is a befriending service that works with people who have a history of problematic alcohol use and with people regardless of where they are in their life; whether they are currently drinking, in recovery or contemplating a lifestyle change. As a volunteer I provided weekly emotional and social support to individuals otherwise isolated from society. As part of the volunteer team we organised bi-monthly community visits for the individuals we supported to increase their social network and community engagement.