

Role Profile

Title: Volunteer Support Worker

Role	Volunteer Support Worker
Location	Noah's Place Support CIC - Portsmouth
Hours	16 Hours / Week

Main purpose:

The Volunteer Peer Support Worker will support residents living in **abstinence-based supported recovery housing**, contributing to a safe, structured, and recovery-focused environment.

Drawing on their own **lived experience of addiction and recovery**, the volunteer will provide hope, practical support, and positive role modelling. The role involves working alongside staff to support assessments, group work, house meetings, and the day-to-day recovery environment, while engaging in ongoing training and development.

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Main duties:

- Support staff with resident assessments and reviews
- Contribute to and co-facilitate recovery-focused group sessions
- Provide peer-based encouragement and support in line with abstinence-based principles
- Assist in the preparation and delivery of structured recovery groups
- Participate in house meetings, promoting responsibility, mutual respect, and recovery values
- Act as a positive role model for recovery, healthy boundaries, and positive lifestyle choices
- Maintain confidentiality, professional boundaries, and safeguarding standards at all times
- Work collaboratively with staff and other peer supporters

Essential Skills and Experience:

- Lived experience of addiction and recovery
- Commitment to abstinence-based recovery principles
- Good communication and active listening skills
- Ability to work effectively as part of a team
- Reliability and commitment to agreed hours
- Willingness to engage in training, supervision, and reflective practice

Desirable Skills and Experience:

- Experience of peer support, volunteering, or group facilitation
- Basic understanding of supported housing or recovery services

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Support and Development:

- Full induction and ongoing training provided
- Regular support and supervision from experienced staff
- Opportunities for reflection and professional development
- Experience gained may support future employment within the recovery or support sector

Values and Conduct:

- Uphold abstinence-based recovery principles
- Promote dignity, respect, and equality
- Maintain clear professional boundaries
- Act in a way that reflects the values and mission of Noah's Place

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APPLICATION PROCESS

Please send your CV and a cover letter explaining why this opportunity would suit you to:

Nike@noahs-place-support.org.uk

INTERVIEW

After successful application, an informal interview will be arranged with you via email or phone.

DATA PROTECTION

The provisions of the Data Protection Act will be fully complied with when carrying out this process.