## Advert - Referral & Crisis Support Worker Hours: 37 per week

Pay: £27,021 - £28,972 (dependent on experience)

Disability Stockport is a local charity supporting disabled people and those with long-term health conditions to live independently and with dignity. We are seeking a Referral and Crisis Support Worker to be a key first point of contact for individuals seeking support and to work directly with those in crisis to find lasting solutions.

This dual role requires a calm, organised, and compassionate person with excellent communication and administrative skills. You will manage incoming referrals and enquiries, while also providing proactive support to people experiencing significant distress whether due to housing issues, financial hardship, mental health concerns, or social isolation.

You'll benefit from a supportive working environment and being part of our fantastic and diverse team, working to achieve our vision of an equal and inclusive society.

## **Role Overview**

The main duties of the post are to:

- Manage referrals into services and respond to enquiries from the public and agencies in a professional and confidential manner
- Provide person-centred support to individuals in crisis or distress
- Assess needs and co-produce personalised support plans that promote wellbeing and recovery
- Connect people to appropriate services, social opportunities, and practical support (e.g. housing, benefits, budgeting)
- Design a range of engagement options including group sessions, one-to-one support, and online forums
- Reduce isolation and build resilience through community connections and tailored activities
- Maintain accurate records, databases, and case studies to track referrals and demonstrate impact
- Liaise with staff, external agencies, and partners to coordinate support and share best practice
- Identify and respond appropriately to safeguarding concerns in line with organisational policy
- Support wider team initiatives, including user-led programmes and life skills development
- Undertake any other duties reasonably requested by the Stockport Centre for Independent Living Manager

## **Person Specification**

The post holder will have the following skills:

- Experience supporting vulnerable or marginalised individuals, particularly in times of crisis
- Strong organisational and multitasking abilities in a busy environment
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- A flexible and solutions-focused approach to problem-solving
- Ability to remain calm and professional when managing sensitive situations
- Understanding of safeguarding, confidentiality, and inclusive practices
- Ability to build relationships across a diverse range of people and agencies
- Confident using IT systems and maintaining accurate records
- Self-motivated and reliable, with the ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Experience facilitating groups or co-developing support activities is desirable

If you are interested in this opportunity or would like more information, please contact: sara.crookdake@disabilitystockport.org.uk

We look forward to receiving your expressions of interest by 4th July 2025