

PEER SUPPORT WORKER NEWS

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Interest in Peer Support Worker posts so far...

In April 2010, the training was advertised on the NHS jobs website. So far, there has been a huge response with many people wanting to put their names down to go forward onto one of the training Cohorts based either in Peterborough or Cambridge. The training opportunities will continue to be held open on the NHS website until July 2010.

Anyone wishing to apply for the training can either contact Cheril Barks, Peer Employment Project Administrator on Tel:01733 748394 or visit the NHS job site. (copy and paste onto your browser); www.jobs.nhs.uk
<http://www.jobs.nhs.uk/cgi-bin/vacdetails.cgi?selection=912452783>

Dates for your diary

- **Whole life plan workshop session**

June 2010, Cavell Centre, Peterborough

This session is for anyone to hear more about the WLP and have some assistance to complete it. Completing a WLP is an essential component of the application process.

For further information and to book a place please contact :- Cheril barks 01733 748394. You can also find more information on this online via www.wholelife.org.uk

- **Cohorts**

Peer Employment Training Cohort training:

Second cohort; Cambridge (7 June - 2 July)

Orientation session 17 May 2pm- 4pm,

Closing date - 21 May 2010

Interviews for employment 8 and 9 July 2010

Third cohort; Peterborough (5 July - 30 July)

Orientation session 21 June, 2pm – 4pm

Closing date - 25 June 2010

Interviews for employment 5 and 6 August 2010

Fourth cohort; Cambridge (2 Aug - 27 Aug)

Orientation session 15 July 2pm – 4pm

Closing date— 21 July 2010

Interviews for employment 2 and 3 September 2010

ORIENTATION DAY— PETERBOROUGH

The first orientation day was held at the Cavell Centre in Peterborough for anyone interested in going on to the Peterborough Cohort, starting on the 4th May 2010. Terrence Smithers from Recovery Innovations was there along side Sharon Gilfoyle, Project Manager. Terrence is now based in the UK to facilitate all the training for Peterborough and Cambridge over the next 4 months.



Terrence and Sharon were there to explain about what is required and the expectations from the training course, as well as talking about work experience, benefits and selection process for interview. Sue Moncrief, HR Training and Recruitment Manager was also there to give help and advice on the CRB and Occupational Health Process and to answer any questions.

Interviews from the first orientation day were then held in the middle of April and 11 candidates were selected to go forward to the first cohort training in May.

This is a really exciting time for all of us.