

February 2014

1. JOB IDENTITY

Post Title: Care Assistant Service: Health & Social Care

Section: Social Work Grade: Care E

Reports to: Assistant Care Home Manager / Social Care Officer

2. JOB PURPOSE

 Support the provision of care by attending to the needs and rights of older individuals within a caring environment.

This role will require flexible, evening and weekend working.

There is a responsibility for the post holder to demonstrate a commitment to quality service delivery through continuous improvement for the benefit of the Service and the organisation.

3. CORE RESPONSIBILITIES / DUTIES

- Assist individuals to carry out intimate personal care tasks, general day-to-day activities, and providing support in meeting social, spiritual and emotional needs
- Contribute to the maintenance and updating of personal care plans, using both verbal and written recording systems
- Carry out general housekeeping duties as required by the management team
- Use of approaches to manage behaviours that challenge in care settings

4. QUALIFICATIONS AND TRAINING

Essential:

- Academic achievement to Scottish National Level 4 or 5, Standard Grades or equivalent transferable experience and skills
- Ability to undertake mandatory Health and Safety training for example People and Object handling, Crisis and Limitation Management (CALM)
- SVQ 2 in Health and Social Care or agreement to undertake in post within specified period
- Willingness to commit to training in order to achieve SSSC Registration

Desirable: • SVQ 2 and relevant SSSC Registration

5. EXPERIENCE

Essential:

- Previous work experience in a caring role with older people in health or social care either in the community or in a residential setting
- Experience of following and delivering personal plans of care
- Intimate personal care experience

6. KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

Essential:

- Good interpersonal skills and team working skills, within the ability to use initiative and be adaptable and flexible in approach
- Understanding of the need to maintain confidentiality
- Knowledge and understanding of the Person Centred Approach in relation to Health and Social Care

Desirable

- Awareness of care planning and review systems
- Knowledge of Health and Safety in the workplace

| 7. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS | |
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| Driving Compliance | Not applicable to this position. |
| Politically Restricted | Not applicable to this position. |