



## Job Description

### Job Title

- Suicide Awareness Trainer/Facilitator with the Traveller community

### Location:

- Dublin (with a National remit)

### Reporting to:

- Family Support Services Manager (FSM)

### Outline of position:

- Working within the Exchange House Family Support Service and National Traveller Suicide Awareness Project (NTSAP) the post holder will, through a community development approach, work to outreach, deliver and develop culturally appropriate suicide awareness programmes and training on prevention, intervention and post-vention. Programmes will include safeTALK, ASIST and other relevant training including a focus on grief and bereavement.
- The post holder will act as a resource both to Traveller organisations and mental health/suicide related services to raise awareness on the issue of suicide in the Traveller community and promote the development of culturally responsive preventative and proactive services for Travellers.

### Duties and Responsibilities:

- In conjunction with the FSM, to lead and ensure the effective provision, delivery, co-ordination, monitoring and review of the NTSAP awareness and training initiatives
- To update, develop and distribute a range of appropriate information materials, tools and resources that explain and promote the work of the NTSAP
- To develop, support and promote links with Traveller groups/projects to ensure awareness raising and training sessions are available as widely as possible
- To act as a resource and support to the Traveller community on suicide awareness, prevention and training
- To support Travellers and Traveller organisations in developing effective responses to suicide
- To work in partnership with the statutory and voluntary sector to improve the recording and data on the incidence of Traveller suicide
- To work in partnership and act as a resource and support to other organisations working in the field of suicide prevention and awareness
- To improve policy, planning & delivery of services to the Traveller community
- To ensure the NTSAP awareness and training is aligned with relevant quality standards
- To communicate and disseminate the experiences and needs of Travellers through the use of eZine, Exchange House website, DVDs and other communication tools
- To support and work closely with colleagues in the Family Support Service Team, especially the other NTSAP post holder working with Traveller men & the other departments in Exchange House
- In conjunction with the FSM, to draft a yearly plan for the suicide awareness and training work that includes timelines and targets
- To ensure reports are provided to the FSM in a timely manner including progress reports for funders relating to Service Level Agreements
- To be responsible for an agreed budget
- To support and work effectively within all Exchange House structures including health and safety, recording, reporting and administration
- Outreach and site work will be a part of this work and as such, a full driving licence is essential as is use of own transport
- Any other relevant duties as directed by the Family Services Manager, CEO or Board of Management

**Salary:**

- Salary as per HSE Professionally Qualified Social Worker scale, starting at €38,819, scale commensurate with qualifications and experience
- The position is a full time 40 hours per week
- Probation period: 12 months