

Drug & Alcohol Engagement Worker

Full-time:	37.5 hours per week (fixed-term until March 2025 with the possibility of extension). We would welcome full or part-time applicants.
Salary:	£27,791.34 per annum pro rata
Closing Date:	07/10/2024 at Midday
Interview Date:	15/10/2024
Job Reference:	DAEW

The role:

This is an exciting opportunity to join a team dedicated to reducing drug and alcohol related harms in Bristol. Engagement team members operate an open access drop-in 6 days a week, needle and syringe provision, provide naloxone and blood borne virus testing, support a variety of partner organisations and are regularly involved in research projects.

You will be able to build a rapport quickly and be passionate about getting the best out of people. You will have excellent organisational skills and be able to manage a busy diary in a job where no two days are the same

Key Responsibilities:

- Provide evidence-based interventions to service users to reduce drug and alcohol-related harm.
- Facilitate access to treatment for people who want to make changes to their use of alcohol and/or other drugs.
- Reduce barriers to treatment for groups underrepresented in Bristol's drug and alcohol treatment system.
- Deliver training for service users and professionals across Bristol.

What we are looking for:

- Strong engagement skills, demonstrating flexibility, persistence and imagination in engaging service users.
- Confidence setting boundaries and working with people experiencing emotional dysregulation
- Ability to liaise effectively with other organisations, including GPs and other health professionals.
- A profound belief in an individual's capacity for change and an ability to motivate others to change.
- A commitment to reducing harm caused by substance use to individuals, families and communities.



Independence from
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About BDP:

BDP has been supporting the people of Bristol around their drug and/or alcohol use for the past 37 years. We are committed to providing accessible and appropriate support for anyone who needs it and to reduce the harms caused by drugs and/or alcohol.

Workers at BDP come from diverse backgrounds and experiences, but all share a drive to make a difference in the lives of the people we work with. Our workers' values come above their job history or qualifications. If you share our attitudes, we can teach you the skills needed for the job. The BDP Treatment Team is one of the largest and longest-established primary care based services in the UK, supporting more than 1800 people at any one time.

What we offer:

- 27 days annual leave plus bank holidays
- Thorough line management and reflective practice programme
- Extensive and ongoing training
- Cycle to work scheme

How to apply:

Download the job advert and description here – <https://www.bdp.org.uk/get-involved/careers/>

Please refer to the person specification available within the job description when completing your application.

Visit our Application Hub to find our application form and other useful information to support your application - <https://www.bdp.org.uk/get-involved/careers/application-hub/>

Questions:

If you would like an informal chat about this role, please contact Sorcha Ryan or Jack Wilkinson on 0117 987 6002.

If you have questions regarding the application process or need some support in completing your application, please email recruitment@bdp.org.uk or call 0117 987 6000 and ask for recruitment.