



Midlothian Community Care Providers

Newsletter 1 - 26 August 2005

NEWS

10/8/05

Midlothian Community Care Providers Forum developments

- Development Worker, Catherine Burns has started
- Website available soon. Please see the website for more news and information.

For further information:

Catherine Burns

0131 660 5055

<http://mccp.mvacvs.org.uk>

10/8/05

JobRotation

Projects
October 05 -
March 06

Job Rotation are looking for organisations within Midlothian to work with for projects from October 05 - March 06. Job Rotation have been working in Midlothian for three years. They work with organisations with less than 250 employees.

The programme involves your organisation employing an unemployed person for at least 25 hours a week and a minimum of 26 weeks. Job Rotation will pay up to 45% of the staff member's salary based on an annual salary of £10,000 i.e. they will pay up to £2,200-2,400 for the salary. They will also provide £500 of training for this new staff member either before they begin to work for you or once they have started.

This person is employed so that existing staff can be released for training. Job Rotation will **provide up to £2,000 for training** existing staff members. Organisations are asked to identify four staff members who would benefit from training. Job Rotation complete training needs analyses with these staff members to identify appropriate training. Their training could include studying for SVQs.

Other elements of the scheme involve providing a mentor for the trainee, free mentoring training course to assist developing a mentoring system, and free literacies awareness-raising course for managers and key staff.

At the end of the 26 weeks it is hoped that the staff member may stay on, but if this is not possible then Job Rotation will assist them to find work elsewhere.

For further information:

Jennifer Cummings

Lothians &

Clackmannanshire Job

Rotation - Transforming

Learning in the Workplace

Greenhall Centre,

Gowskhill,

Gorebridge, Midlothian

EH23 4PE

01875 825 827

lothian.jobrotation@weascotland.org.uk

2/7/05

Post Registration Training and Learning announced for all phase one registrants.

The requirements for social workers have been extended to all phase one registrants i.e. "within the period of registration, complete 15 days [90 hours] of study, training, courses, seminars, reading, teaching or other activities which could reasonably be expected to advance the social worker's professional development, or contribute to the development of the profession as a whole."

For further information

see

<http://www.ccpscotland.org/workforceunit>

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For Post Registration

Training and Learning Fact

sheet see

<http://www.sssc.uk.com>

30/06/05

SSSC register opens for managers of residential child care services

The SSSC recently opened the part of the register for managers of residential child care services and relevant managers have been issued with an application pack and been invited to apply for registration.

For further information: If you are a manager of a residential child care service and have not yet received your invitation to register, please contact the registration team on 0845 60 30 891.

Care Commission / Supporting People

Link between Supporting People Funding and registration with the Care Commission has been reinstated. This will not impact on supported lodgings/adult placement services at the moment as they are not yet required to register with the Care Commission. Scottish Ministers have been granted the power to allow the Care Commission to inspect services less frequently than annually through the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill.

For further information: <http://www.ccpscotland.org/spunit/> July 2005 Bulletin

FUNDING

Applications due Friday 28 October 2005.

Voluntary Sector Development Fund

Application packs are now available. £1 million maximum funding has been awarded to this scheme for the financial year 2005-06.

Voluntary organisations which employ staff that require registration under phase one are eligible to apply.

For further information and an application pack Contact Gwen Smith, Finance Manager at the Scottish Executive's Social Work Services Policy Division on 0131 244 3737 or email gwen.smith@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

CONSULTATIONS

Friday 2 September

Core Minimum Dataset Consultation Seminar
See events below

See events below

Friday 2 September 2005

Local tax liability of people living in supported accommodation or in "sheltered home type accommodation".

For further information: <http://www.ccpscotland.org/spunit/info/consultation.php>

Friday 16 September 2005

Consultation on the Rules and Requirements for Specialist Training for Social Service Workers in Scotland 2005

For further information: <http://www.sssc.uk.com/>

Friday 23 September 2005

Protecting Vulnerable Adults - Securing their Safety. Third consultation paper on the protection of vulnerable adults and related matters.

For further information: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Consultations/Current>

EVENTS AND TRAINING - MIDLOTHIAN

31 August, Bonnyrigg

Lasswade High School Centre Community Learning and Development Open Day for Adults

Contact:

Tel: 0131 663 8170

They will welcome adults to come along between 9 am and 9 pm to find out about courses and educational opportunities on offer, both locally and throughout the region.

Date to be confirmed, MVA, Dalkeith

(Was scheduled for 5th September)

An Introduction to Managing a Capital Project

Do you manage a community centre, a scout hut, a church hall or any other community building? Are you looking for funding to upgrade your building, or would you like to find out more about what is involved in a capital project? *Then this is the seminar for you!*

The seminar aims to give a broad overview of the process of running a capital project, including what to think about before you begin, what is involved in a Feasibility Study, timescales for building projects and what can go wrong. In the afternoon there will be an opportunity to hear from some organisation that provide funding for community buildings. And of course, there will be plenty of time for questions!

The trainer is Pat Aitken, Director of Housing Services at Melville Housing. The funders in attendance will include WREN, a European funding representative and the Social Economy Enterprise Development fund.

For booking or further information, please contact:

Midlothian Voluntary Action on 0131 663 9471

Email: info@mvacvs.org.uk

Website: www.mvacvs.org.uk

12 September 2005, Edinburgh, (10.00am - 15.30pm)

The closing date for bookings is Wed 7 Sept 2005.

Working With Carers

This workshop aims to: provide delegates with a greater understanding of the issues facing carers, encourage them to share ideas and identify good practice in working with carers and consider how they might improve access to services within their own organisations for carers.

The workshop costs £15 for Learning Link Scotland Members, £20 for subscribers and £25 for non-members.

For further information

please contact Alasdair Ferguson, Learning Link Scotland, Tel: 0131 553 7992 or visit the Learning Link Scotland website <http://www.learninglinkscotland.org.uk> to download a booking form.

September 21 & 22, Edinburgh, Edinburgh Conference Centre, Heriot-Watt University

Community Care Live

Free two-day event. See the programme on the website. Pre-register to avoid queues and guarantee entry.

For further information:

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/ccivescotland/index.htm>

28 September 2005, 10.00 - 12.00 Stirling

Workforce Development Network Meeting

Organised by VS Workforce Unit. See information in Networks below to find out how to join.

<http://www.ccpscotland.org/workforceunit/info/publications.php> July ebulletin

29 September 2005, Edinburgh

Preparation for Care Commission Inspection - (Housing Support Services)

A one day course to help participants better understand the Care Commission regulation and inspection regime and to provide an appreciation of what service providers should be doing to prepare for inspection.

For further information:

The Chartered Institute of Housing in Scotland, 6 Palmerston Place, EDINBURGH EH12 5AA

26 October Glasgow

9 November Glasgow

The courses is aimed at link officers, managers, supervisors and board members in housing support provider organisations and local authority and RSL managers with responsibility for management, procurement or review of housing support services.

0131 225 4544 <http://www.cih.org/scotland/>

There will be a charge for this event and the fees vary from £115 - £175.

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Preparing The Way For Inspection - For non-managers

The regulation of housing support is an important issue for all staff and the aspects of the inspection process will involve many directly or indirectly. With this in mind the Supporting People Enabling Unit is organising a series of training days aimed at those carrying out non-managerial roles entitled "Preparing The Way For Inspection".

The trainer is Colin Paton, Dundee Cyrenians and the cost of the course will be £50

For further information contact the Supporting People Unit by email heather.martin@ccpscotland.org or by phone: 0131 346 3144

The booking form [DOC] is available here.

Glasgow 12
September
2005

Glasgow 16
September
2005

Protecting Vulnerable Adults: A Joint Responsibility Conference

Keynote speaker: Rhona Brankin, Deputy Minister for Health

The purpose of the Conference is a joint sharing of good practice through developing a National Framework which will take account of possible new legislation.

Organised by the British Association of Social Workers (BASW).

For further details, contact:

Mrs Johan Grant, BASW Scotland, email: j.grant@basw.co.uk

www.basw.co.uk

Thursday 6
October,
Murrayfield
Stadium,
Edinburgh

NETWORKS & MAILING LISTS

Community Care Providers' Forum Database and Distribution List.

For forum meetings, information, and inquiries about training and registration.

Please contact:

Catherine.burns@mvacvs.org.uk

Workforce Development Network

To optimise collaboration and consultation. This network will consult by letter, email and through meetings, seminars and events.

To join the network e-mail Laura / Pamela at yswu.admin@ccpscotland.org

For further information, contact:

<http://www.ccpscotland.org/workforceunit/info/publications.php> July ebulletin

Workforce Unit mailing list

The Voluntary Sector Social Services Workforce Unit aims to support and promote the development of the voluntary sector social services workforce in Scotland. The Unit has been established by Community Care Providers Scotland (CCPS) in collaboration with the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) and is funded by the Scottish Executive.

To join the mailing list:

Please contact Neil neil.macleod@ccpscotland.org. Please let Neil know whether you would prefer to be contacted by e-mail or post.

The Workforce Unit produces newsletters and run events. They are also a point of contact for questions about registration.

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