Job Description

For Social Care Positions

This form is used to provide a complete description of the specific job (or role) and defines the skills, knowledge and abilities required to undertake the specific and generic role profile.

Section A: Specific Role Profile

The specific role profile provides key information relating to the salary and working conditions e.g. location of a job, along with the current focus of the job role and a brief description of the main duties.

Role Details

Job Title:	Social Worker	JEID	SW002
Salary Grade:	Grade J		
Team:	Physical Disability and Sensory Service		
Service Area:	People Group		
Primary Location:	County Wide		
Political Restriction	This position is not politically restricted.		
Responsible to:	Team Leader		
Responsible for:	N/A		

Role Purpose

To contribute to the work of the Physical Disability & Sensory Service.

Joining a busy social work team, you will be providing a social work practitioner service to a professional standard. Managing a caseload and travelling throughout Warwickshire you will be working with adults, their families and unpaid carers.

Undertaking and recording Care Act 2014 compliant assessments and care and support plans will also be part of your role. Communicating with a wide variety of customers, communities, partners and agencies, as well as working on your own initiate; often in pressured situations.

You will also be expected to support the Team's office cover work

Role Responsibilities

To be successful in this role, it is important that you have had experience in working with adults and preferably in a social care capacity where you have delivered care to vulnerable adults.

Undertake strength-based conversations and assessments in consultation with customers, carers and other professionals as partners in the care management process.

To monitor, review and evaluate individual packages of support in conjunction with customers, carers and service providers.

To participate fully in the duties of the team, including the office cover/referral systems, team meetings and other meetings determined by the Team Leader and/or Operations Manager

Maintain accurate and concise case records and produce reports on time, All recording uses the Mosaic recording system.

It is also important that you have good analytical and good communication skills both written and verbal.

Also that you can work on your own initiative as well as collaboratively with individuals, families, carers, communities, colleagues and other agencies.

You must have the ability to work to tight deadlines often under pressure; whilst maintaining your professionalism and emotional resilience at all times.

You must also h	nave good informat	tion technology	(IT)	skills.
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Section B: Generic Role Profile

The generic role profile provides a list of the main tasks that cover the broad range of duties and responsibilities performed at this level for the job role. An employee may not be undertaking all of these at any one time, but they could be expected to do so under their contract of employment.



Generic Role Details

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Main Tasks

- Provides a social work service, to a high professional standard, for individuals, families and groups in an anti-discriminatory manner.
- Practices social work accountably, within the prevailing legislative framework and Council policies and procedures, under the supervision of the line manager.
- Manages a mixed case load, including a small number of the more challenging cases that involve vulnerable people with complex problems. The proportion of complex cases will increase, with appropriate supervision, in preparation for progression to level 3.
- Assesses referrals and designs plans for action, liaising with colleagues and other agencies as appropriate.
- Arranges the delivery and monitors the effectiveness of packages of support to meet people's identified needs.
- Works collaboratively with individuals, families, carers, communities, colleagues and other agencies.
- Undertake safeguarding investigations when competent and under close supervision, attending planning/ strategy meetings, case conferences and reviews as required and if appropriate perform the keyworker role.
- Ensures that all recording of social work activity is carried out in accordance with policy and procedures.
- Attends appropriate continuous professional development activities as are required and suitable, in agreement with the line manager.
- Can be available to work within any of the Council's localities.

Section B: Person Specification

The person specification provides a list of essential and desirable criteria (skills and competencies) that a candidate should have in order to perform the job.

Each of the criteria listed below will be measured through; the application form (A), a test / exercise (T), an interview (I), a presentation (P) or documentation (D).

Essential Criteria Assessed By:

Professional Social Work qualification and current registration as a social worker with Social Work England (SWE).	A, I, D
The ability to independently interpret and analyse varied and complex information or situations and to produce solutions	A, I, T
The ability to identify and respond to needs of clients which may be difficult to satisfy using enabling approaches whenever possible	A, I
The ability to undertake assessment of complex needs and develop, monitor and review appropriate programmes of care and support, involving multi-agency delivery, for and in partnership with clients and carers	A, I

The ability to act on behalf of the Council as an advocate in a formal setting	A, I
The ability to organise own workload and decide priorities. The ability to use own initiative to respond independently to difficult problems and unexpected situations as agreed in supervision	A, I, T
The ability to write complex reports, working under pressure, meeting deadlines and dealing with interruptions	A, I, T
The ability and experience to cope with intense emotional demands arising from the nature of the client group such as terminally ill clients or cases of child abuse	A, I
Ability to work well with colleagues, including managers, as a member of a team	A, I
Mobility essential. Able-bodied applicants must be able to drive, have a driving licence and be a car owner. Disabled applicants should be able to perform the job with aid, where necessary.	A, I, D
To be able to operate a keyboard, our client database systems and employ basic computer knowledge and skills	A, I
Ability to communicate fluently, in writing and verbally, with a wide range of people	A, I, T
Satisfactory check through the Disclosure and Barring Service	D

Desirable Criteria	Assessed By:

Section C: Working Conditions

The working conditions relate to those non-contractual elements of the job that may impact on the holder of the position, as well as those workplace-based responsibilities that are part of this job. These are not contractual but provide a guide to the working conditions and the potential hazards and risks that may be faced.

Health & Safety at Work

To take responsibility for your own health, safety and wellbeing, and undertake health and safety duties and responsibilities for your role as specified within Warwickshire County Councils Health and Safety Policy, and all other relevant health and safety policies, arrangements, procedures, systems of work as specified for the post/ role.

Potential Hazards & Risks

The potential significant hazard(s) and risk(s) for this job are identified below (those ticked). The purpose of recording this information on the job description is so that the health status of the potential and actual post-holders can be assessed with regard to the significant hazards and risks. These hazards and risks should be based on the appropriate activity, process and/or operation risk assessment whereby all of the significant risks are identified, recorded and appropriately controlled. The list below is therefore

not an exhaustive list because it is the risk assessment that details all significant risks that could arise out of or in connection with the work activity, but any others will be identified in the 'other' section.		
Provision of personal care on a regular basis	☐ Driving HGV or LGV for work	
Regular manual handling (which includes assisting, manoeuvring, pushing and pulling) of people (including pupils) or objects	Any other frequent driving or prolonged driving at work activities (e.g. long journeys driving own private vehicle or WCC vehicle for work purposes)	
Working at height/ using ladders on a regular/ repetitive basis	☐ Restricted postural change – prolonged sitting	
Lone working on a regular basis	Restricted postural change – prolonged standing	
☐ Night work	Regular/repetitive bending/ squatting/ kneeling/crouching	
☐ Rotating shift work	☐ Manual cleaning/ domestic duties	
☐ Working on/ or near a road	Regular work outdoors	
☐ Significant use of computers (display screen equipment)	Work with vulnerable children or vulnerable adults	
☐ Undertaking repetitive tasks	☐ Working with challenging behaviours	
☐ Continual telephone use (call centres)	☐ Regular work with skin irritants/ allergens	
Work requiring hearing protection (exposure to noise above action levels)	Regular work with respiratory irritants/ allergens (exposure to dust, fumes, chemicals, fibres)	
☐ Work requiring respirators or masks	☐ Work with vibrating tools/ machinery	
☐ Work involving food handling	☐ Work with waste, refuse	
☐ Potential exposure to blood or bodily fluids	☐ Face-to-face contact with members of the public	
☐ Other (please specify):		