## **Care for the Carers**

## **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

## Carer Support Worker

Qualifications	A relevant professional qualification	Desirable
Experience	<ul> <li>Experience of providing advice and support to unpaid carers or other vulnerable or marginalised clients</li> </ul>	Desirable
	<ul> <li>Experience of delivering group support and/or training</li> </ul>	Desirable
	<ul> <li>Experience of advocating on behalf of carers or other vulnerable clients</li> </ul>	Desirable
	<ul> <li>Experience of working in the voluntary sector, and/or Health and Social Care</li> </ul>	Desirable
Skills & knowledge	Able to carry out an assessment of carers' needs	Essential
	Able to help carers develop their own support networks and make decisions about the support they need	Essential
	<ul> <li>Able to gain and maintain carers' confidence whilst working within professional boundaries and confidentiality policies</li> </ul>	Essential
	<ul> <li>Understand carers' needs and rights, legislation and policies affecting carers, and the services available to carers locally</li> </ul>	Essential
	<ul> <li>Able to represent Care for the Carers in the community and in multi-agency meetings</li> </ul>	Essential
	<ul> <li>Able to develop robust partnerships with colleagues in health, social care and voluntary sectors</li> </ul>	Essential
	IT literate, able to confidently use databases, Microsoft Outlook, Excel, Word and PowerPoint	Essential
	<ul> <li>Understand safeguarding issues and responsibilities in relation to vulnerable adults, young people, and children</li> </ul>	Essential
	Able to maintain appropriate monitoring information and produce reports	Desirable
Personal qualities	Possess sensitivity and understanding and able to apply this when dealing with carers whilst acting within the boundaries of the role	Essential
	Commitment to the vision and mission of Care for the Carers and to the social inclusion of seldom heard or hidden carers through a variety of approaches	Essential
	Possess good judgment and discretion at all times	Essential
	Have a belief in the empowerment of carers	Essential
	Be self motivated and energetic	Essential
	<ul> <li>Hold a full UK driving license and access to a car for work travel across East Sussex</li> </ul>	Essential