



Services for Young Children

Childminder Project with Action 4 Children – Recruitment opportunity.

Promoting Excellence in Early Education and Childcare

Action 4 Children has asked Hampshire to take part in a national project, **Promoting Excellence in Early Education and Childcare**. This opportunity has arisen as one of the original local authorities is no longer able to take part. Details of this project are attached for your information. It will include childminder recruitment, training, developing partnership work, assessing the childminding needs of parents and the professional development needs of childminders.

The project will be delivered in two areas of Hampshire, Havant and the New Forest, as both districts need to develop more childminders. We are intending that elements of the programme will be open to childminders who are not directly involved with the project. Training is likely to include ICAN, HENRY and PEEP training and will run alongside the current Hampshire training programme.

This project will also include consultation about the childminding needs of parents, especially those with children with Special Educational Needs (SEN). The project will help to look at how to further engage childminders with children's centre services and will include consultation with childminders regarding their future support and business needs.

We are keen that this project does not duplicate the role of PACEY, our current support organisation, and that it complements the work of SfYC and PACEY.

I will be setting up a Project Group to help steer the project and will be inviting representatives from Childcare Development Co-ordinators, Workforce Development Managers, PACEY, the Early Communication Support Service and children's centres to be involved in this group.

Below is an extract from the Action 4 Childrens jobs pages – please forward this to anyone who you think may be interested in this fixed term post.

<http://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/about-us/jobs>

Childminder Network Co-ordinator

This partnership is worth 999k over 2 years to promote excellence in early education and childcare, so enabling all children to achieve success in their early years and later education.

Key Outcomes;

Our aim is to improve outcomes for children through improving access to high quality childcare by recruiting, training and supporting child-minders to use evidence-led programmes. We will seek to increase the availability of wraparound childcare for children with additional support needs to enable more parents to work.

We will appoint 1 full time Childminder Network Co-ordinator based in one of our pilot areas working with Hampshire LA. The successful applicant will cover the Havant and New Forest area.

Fixed term until 31/03/2015 would consider job share.

Interview will take place on 14/02/2014

Essential Requirements:

NVQ 3 or equivalent

A background in delivering training

Job Description -

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Person Specificaion -

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Job Specific Information -

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