



Job title:	Assertive Outreach Caseworker
Location:	Dublin
Reports to:	Outreach Team Lead
Purpose:	Ruhama are seeking a Ukrainian or Russian speaker to join our team to provide an outreach service to Asylum seekers and Ukrainian refugees that are at risk of sexual exploitation. The post holder will be responsible for providing a holistic person-centred approach to care and case management for service users who have been impacted by prostitution and sex trafficking.
Salary:	A competitive salary applies. The successful candidate will be offered the salary point on the scale commensurate with experience.

KEY DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To comprehensively assess the needs of all service users
- To provide one to one brief interventions, case work and information sessions to service users
- To develop and deliver outreach services to Asylum seekers and Ukrainian refugees locally & regionally
- To facilitate information and therapeutic groups within the target group
- Deliver evidence-based interventions directly to service users
- To ensure that care plans and a case management system are implemented and regularly reviewed for all service users who are engaged in case work
- Participate in Case Management protocols including referral pathways and shared care planning
- Deliver training to frontline services on trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation
- To work closely with community, voluntary, and statutory services to ensure that service users can access support in relation to their needs i.e., housing, addiction, education & employment etc.
- Identify potential gaps to progression for service users and problem solve in conjunction with other stakeholders
- Where a need is identified, to accompany and provide support to women on appointments to other services i.e. GP's, Gardaí, court visits etc.
- Innovate and contribute to the development of services to promote the psychological well-being of all service users
- Provide integrated care and support reflecting a person-centred approach
- Attend practice team, organisational and external meetings as required and participate in shared working practices
- Keep up to date with developments nationally
- Maintain Service User Records, including CRM system (Salesforce), weekly logs and produce standard monthly and quarterly reports
- To be vigilant to any Health, Safety and Welfare risks in the workplace and bring any concerns to the attention of your line manager or Health & Safety Officer

- To be aware of the Children’s First Guidelines, and Vulnerable Adult and Child Protection Policy in Ruhama and bring any concerns to the attention of the DLO (Designated Liaison Officer)
- To monitor, track, evaluate and document all work
- To attend supervision on a regular basis with line manager
- To work as a team member in order to develop and fulfil the policies, aims and objectives of Ruhama
- To comply with all Ruhama policies and procedures
- To perform any other duties assigned or delegated by his/her line manager

PERSON SPECIFICATION

The person specification sets out the essential abilities and qualities needed by the successful candidate for this post.

Qualifications

- A relevant third level qualification e.g. social studies, addiction, nursing, counselling, psychology or related field is essential

Experience

- Minimum of 3 years’ experience working in a frontline setting, working with vulnerable cohorts with complex and multiple needs is essential
- Understanding and some experience of working with asylum seekers and refugees is essential
- Experience of case management approach is desirable
- Proficient in Ukrainian or Russian as well as English

Knowledge

- A strong interest in and knowledge of the issues facing asylum seekers, refugees and migrants, especially women
- A knowledge of the impact of prostitution on individuals physical, emotional and psychological development
- A knowledge and understanding of a trauma informed approach
- Insight into the issues affecting women who have been exploited in the sex trade
- Knowledge and understanding of gendered based violence, including prostitution
- Demonstrates a working knowledge in the complexities faced in delivering services to service users in challenging environments
- A working knowledge of homelessness
- Knowledge of the rights and entitlements of women working in the sex trade in Ireland

Skills and Abilities

- Excellent communication and inter-personal skills
- Demonstrates effective problem solving and decision-making skills
- Ability to effectively multitask and manage competing deadlines

- Demonstrate competence and professionalism in order to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the role
- Ability to manage challenging behaviour and issues
- Ability to advocate on behalf of service users
- Proven ability to use own initiative and work as part of a team
- High motivation and enthusiasm with a positive attitude and flexible in response to organisation change & development
- Ability to maintain confidentiality within the guidelines and policies of Ruhama
- Excellent report writing and IT skills
- A strong interest in the area of social justice & human rights
- To develop and maintain effective working relationships with other agencies, using an interagency approach.

Other

- Availability for flexible rostered working hours is essential
- Garda Vetting will apply

Ruhama is an equal opportunities employer

Application Process

Interested Candidates can access the Job Description and Application form at <https://www.ruhama.ie/work-for-us>. Informal enquiries to Katherina McCaul on 087 290 7442.

Please note that CVs without an application form are not acceptable. Completed and signed application forms should be submitted by email to katherinamccaul@gmail.com by

3.00pm on Thursday 23rd June 2022