

Care Worker - Children's Homes Job Description

JOB TITLE:	Care Worker
EMPLOYMENT BASIS	Full-time / Part-time (casual)
DIVISION:	Children's Homes
REPORTS TO:	Home Manager

ROLE PROFILE: The Care Worker's role is to care for, nurture and supervise the children residing in the home. It is the role of every member of staff to deliver a high quality of care, adhere to policies and procedures, work ethically and foster the values of the home.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: The appointee is required to undergo an induction phase and other relevant training which may be deemed necessary. The post is fulltime/parttime and is subject to four months probationary period. The person appointed is subject to the rules and regulations of the Archdiocese of Malta.

This role is open to both **Day, Afternoon** and **Night** Shifts. This chosen person will be required to work either Day Shifts, Evening Shifts or Night Shifts. The person may also be required to fill in other shifts.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

General care of the child

- To ensure that every child is cared for at all times;
- To do anything necessary to provide care to each child with a particular emphasis to emotional warmth, hygiene, stimulation and stability;
- To organise fun, age-appropriate activities in and out of the home for every child;
- To prepare healthy wholesome food for children and serve meals and refreshments.
- To ensure that each child lives in a nurturing and loving home;
- To support every child in their educational development.

Administrative duties

- To keep daily, detailed and accurate records on every child;
- To promptly report any concerns of abuse or maltreatment to the management;

- To keep up to date with the progress of each child by reading the logbook daily;
- To ensure that the rules of the home are followed by all children;
- To perform housekeeping duties such as laundry, cleaning, dishwashing, and changing of linens;
- To follow tasks as delegated by social workers and the management of the home;
- To either drive or accompany children to and from school, on outings, and to medical appointments, whenever required;
- To attend regular supervision and further their professional development;
- To be available to work shifts according to the children's needs as directed by the Home Manager.

Skills and attributes as members of the care team

- An optimistic outlook to life in order to be positive role models for every child;
- A can do attitude;
- Effective team working skills;
- Writing skills to write down daily reports and other documentation;
- Understanding and managing child behaviour;
- Knowledge and understanding of child development;
- Observation, listening and empathic skills;
- An understanding of equal opportunity issues;
- Basic computer skills;
- Ability to communicate effectively with others;
- Ability to remain patient, objective and positive under pressure.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Qualifications

- It is essential to have some form of qualification in Residential Care Work or in working with children as a minimum.
- A qualification in the Social field is preferable.
- Students working towards such a qualification are also encouraged to apply.
- A clean Manual Driving Licence.

Experience

- Experience of working with children as a care worker or volunteer or student placement is desirable.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please send a written statement detailing how your skills match the requirements listed in this job description and quoting Ref. FS/OC/01, together with your CV, police conduct and the contact details for 2 Referees to:

Elmer Stanmore
Central Office Senior Manager
Fondazzjoni Sebħ
Email: info@sebh.mt

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