

The Harbour - Couple and Individual Counsellor / Psychotherapist (part-time)

About The Harbour (www.the-harbour.org.uk)

The Harbour is a small charity based in the centre of Bristol. Our vision is that everyone in Bristol has a safe space to talk and be listened to when they face death, dying and bereavement. Since 1991 we have offered counselling services to people with a serious or life-threatening illness, their carers and loved ones, and people who have been bereaved.

Since the Covid-19 pandemic we have transitioned from face-to-face counselling to offering these services remotely via video call and telephone, and we hope to resume face-to-face counselling alongside remote sessions in the near future.

Covid-19 has made our service more relevant than ever before, as more people face the impact of life-threatening illness alongside the pressures of lockdown. Referrals to The Harbour are increasing and we anticipate that we will be needed more than ever as we emerge out of the pandemic in the months to come.

We are looking for a couple counsellor or psychotherapist to join our team of therapists and be part of a friendly and dynamic therapy service. The Harbour works within a psychodynamic approach and any candidate must have an interest in and experience of working within this approach.

Given the nature of The Harbour's work, it is a challenging environment for all the staff who work here, however it is also a thoughtful organisation that is fully aware of the demands this work places upon individuals. Consequently, The Harbour has established robust support structures over the years and the wellbeing of staff is a priority.

Job Description

Hours per week:	7.5
Salary:	£33,901 FTE (approx. £7264 pro-rata)
Contract type:	Permanent (Subject to funding)
Reports to:	Clinical Lead
Responsible for:	Counselling / Psychotherapy sessions for couples and individuals

This is an exciting opportunity for a couple counsellor or psychotherapist to work within a small, friendly and dynamic charity that makes a genuine difference to hundreds of people in Bristol each year.

The post holder will see couples and individuals for assessments and regular counselling sessions. In addition, you will be involved in a lively clinical team that meets regularly and contributes to the development of the organisation. You will also have the opportunity to work closely with the other couple therapist on the team and help to develop our work with couples.

The Harbour uses a psychodynamic approach and applicants must have an interest in and experience of this way of working.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Deliver counselling or psychotherapy sessions to a caseload of up to 5 clients/couples per week.
- Carry out high quality assessments and write clear assessment reports.
- Maintain accurate and confidential notes and records using The Harbour's database (CIVI-CRM)
- Work with colleagues as part of the team and support, respect and collaborate with organisational requirements including away days and team meetings and clinical team meetings (held on Tuesday mornings).

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential criteria

- To have completed a BACP/UKCP/BPC accredited counselling or psychotherapy training with experience of working psychodynamically.
- Completed additional training in couple counselling/psychotherapy, including supervised clinical practice.
- An excellent understanding of the theory and practice of psychodynamic counselling or psychotherapy.

- An understanding of monitoring and evaluation requirements in a counselling or psychotherapy setting.

Desirable criteria

- Experience of working within an agency or statutory setting providing counselling or psychotherapy.
- Experience of working with people affected by death, dying and bereavement.
- Presentation skills/ teaching /supervising.

Application process

To apply for the role please email: recruitment@the-harbour.org.uk to request an application form.

Interviews for the role will take place on 15th June in the afternoon.

Closing date for applications:

7th June 2021.

Further details

For more details about the role please contact Paul North (Clinical Lead) or Liz Salter (Senior/couple Therapist) or Esther Dawney-New (Senior/couple Therapist) on 0117 925 9348 or email info@the-harbour.org.uk