Direct Payments – Personal Assistant (Carer)

Number of Hours per week: 6 hours (3hrs per Personal Assistant)

Hourly Rate: £12.00

Personal Assistants required: X 2

Contract: Permanent

Location: Ebbw Vale

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**About Direct Payments**

The Council provides social care for people who need support at home or in the community and they can choose to receive their support in different ways. One way of doing this, is for the Council to give the person the money (direct payments) so that they can buy their own support, which they can use to employ a Personal Assistant (carer). The Personal Assistant will **NOT** be employed by the Local Authority but by the person (or their representative) in receipt of care.

**Job Advert: About Me**

I am a 7-year-old male who has a diagnosis of Autism and sensory processing disorder.

I am looking to employ two Personal Assistant’s to help support me on a 2:1 basis to go out in the community, for 6 hours a week (3hrs per PA) on a Saturday or Sunday.

I am looking for the right people to become my Personal Assistant’s (PA’s) to support me and keep me safe when I go out in the community. I need people who are kind, caring, understanding, calm and confident.

I would like my Personal Assistant’s (PA’s) to continue to build my confidence when I go out in the community and to assist me to develop my social skills, support me with social awareness and encourage me to develop independent skills including road safety.

On cold, rainy days, I enjoy going to different soft play centres and love trying new places as this allows me to burn off lots of energy. In the warmer, drier weather I enjoy all outdoor activities such as trips to the park, crazy golf and go karting.

I also enjoy going to museums and visiting Big Pit where I can go underground.

I would like the opportunity to engage in fun and exciting activities in the community whilst ensuring I am kept safe.

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**Benefits**

* Casual dress
* 5.6 weeks Holiday Pay per year

**Requirements – what is important to me**

* You need to have the right values and behaviours to work in social care.
* You must respect my privacy and always maintain a professional approach
* You must be honest, trustworthy, and reliable.
* You must have a clean driving licence and access to a vehicle.
* You must ensure Business Insurance is taken out on your vehicle.
* You must have an Enhanced DBS check for this role (this can be arranged by the local authority)

**How to Apply**

If you think you are the right person to support me but would like more information before you decide to apply for the role, please contact Direct Payment team on 01495 355265 quoting reference number **607107.**

Alternatively, you could email us at the following email address: -directpayments@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk