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Music as Therapy International Introductory Training Project: MacIntyre No Limits (Beds, Herts and Milton Keynes)

Role: Music Therapist trainer, 4 hours per week for 10 weeks (Monday afternoons)

Salary: £40/hour (£1,600 gross)

Location: Dell Farm Outdoor Education Centre, Whipsnade, Dunstable, LU6 2LG.

Context: MacIntyre is a national charity which provides learning, support and care for more than 1,500 children, young people and adults who have a learning disability and/or autism. The No Limits Programme is one of the charity's outreach services, providing alternative learning opportunities for young people who struggle to engage in a conventional school setting.

Music as Therapy International is looking for a Music Therapist to deliver an Introductory Training Project, over a series of 10 weeks, at MacIntyre No Limits Beds, Herts and Milton Keynes branch. Full training, support and supervision will be provided. *More information about Music as Therapy International's approach to skill-sharing can be found on our website www.musicastherapy.org or find us on Facebook for more informal insight into our different project.*

Rationale: The No Limits Beds, Herts and Milton Keynes budget currently only extends to limited music provision delivered by a skilled music teacher. However, staff value the therapeutic role music can play and want to increase its availability to their students, particularly those with learning disabilities and higher sensory needs (12-21 years). They are eager to learn how they can use music to enhance the quality of their interaction with these students and to contribute to their wider well-being. To achieve this and build on the music provision they currently have in place, MacIntyre No Limits have requested this Introductory Training project for a small group of their staff.

Project Structure: The music therapist will deliver a series of weekly music sessions with the staff identified by MacIntyre No Limits, for 2 small groups of young people. Staff will learn activities and techniques for creating meaningful musical opportunities for the young people, by watching how the music therapist works and then gradually taking greater responsibility within the sessions. As participating staff progress from observing through to leading they will gain the confidence, experience, skills and resources to continue running their own music sessions into the future.

What we are looking for: The successful applicant will share *Music as Therapy International's* belief that the sharing of skills between a music therapist and care/education practitioners is a positive approach to:

- improving care practice
- increasing opportunities for vulnerable people
- helping people in regular contact with vulnerable people assess their needs and make appropriate referrals for specialist intervention
- promoting music therapy

He/she will have:

- proven experience of working with young people with high sensory needs and/or PMLD
- some experience of working with support staff and other professionals within and around music therapy sessions
- some experience of delivering workshops and/or teaching
- an enhanced DBS check and HCPC registration

Expressions of interest from local music therapy services considering this piece of work for one of their team are welcome, as well as applications from independent/freelance therapists.

For an application form or further information please contact Alexia Quin by email on alexiaquin@musicasterapy.org or 020 7735 3231.

CLOSING DATE: Tuesday 4th December (**Interviews: Thursday 13th December**)

Key dates: Briefing and initial preparation: *TBC (likely timing Monday 14th January 2019 tbc)*
Initial visit: *Monday 21st January (12.30-4.30pm)*
Weekly session delivery: *Monday 28th January-Monday 18th March (12.30-4.30pm)*
Debriefing: *TBC (March/April 2019)*