
Home Based Fostering and Adoption Social Worker – 40 hours per week – £34-£36k per annum

Our charity is looking for highly motivated and committed social workers to support children, adults and families through adoption and fostering, making a real difference to their lives. If you have the passion and dedication to help us find the best adopters or foster carers for these special children, we would love you to join our team. Diagrama Foundation is an ambitious and progressive charity and our adoption service and fostering service are both rated GOOD in all areas by Ofsted.

Due to current growth we are expanding our existing team of social workers covering London and the South East and seeking applicants living in Kent or Sussex.

Our service

Diagrama Adoption and Fostering service was established to ensure adopters and foster carers who had been working with Cabrini Children's Society received continued support when the society ceased operation in 2014.

The service has since evolved and we have been busy integrating our own principles and approach to adoption and fostering to ensure that those we work with receive the highest possible standard of care, support and preparation throughout this life-changing journey.

Our priority is to recruit adoptive families for children who are deemed 'harder to place'. In fostering, we are seeking to ensure that the quality of foster carers we support and approve meet the changing needs of the children we care for. We place the needs and safeguarding of the child at the heart of our service and seek for them to achieve in all areas of their lives.

Diagrama Adoption and Fostering is part of the Diagrama Foundation which has been registered as a charity in the UK since 2009, delivering a range of services dedicated to supporting vulnerable children and adults. Our parent organisation, Fundacion Diagrama is one of the largest charities in Spain.

Visit <http://www.diagramaadoption.org.uk/> & <http://www.diagramafostering.org.uk/> to learn more about each of the services.

Our social workers

- Are passionate about recruiting and assessing adopters and foster carers, focusing on evidencing skills to support matching of children's needs including diversity, abilities, love and understanding of trauma
- Provide dedicated support to adopters and foster carers through family finding, matching, panel, introductions and placement, including an out-of-hours service
- Participate in planned meetings and reviews where children are placed prior to formal adoption
- Work in partnership with local authorities and other agencies to ensure child-focus and safeguarding priorities
- Participate in training, family event days, support groups, recruitment events and celebration days

Our requirements

- HCPC registered
- Current experience in adoption and/or fostering
- The successful candidate will live in Kent or Sussex

Why join?

Diagrama Adoption and Fostering offers comprehensive supervision and support to our social workers; we are child-focused and reflective practice is built into our team, where creativity and innovative thinking are welcomed. We are well supported by our dedicated administration team.

This is a great opportunity to use your skills and knowledge to make a real difference to the lives of the children and young people we work with.

We offer a competitive salary and benefits package which includes healthcare, and graduated sick pay scheme, together with reimbursement of authorised business expenses, such as mileage.

As a home based social worker, you will be provided with appropriate equipment, such as phone and laptop to facilitate your work.

To learn more about the role please contact Catherine Moore on 0208 668 2181 for a confidential chat.

Interested? Email your CV to hr@diagrama.org.

Interviews will be held at Diagrama Foundation head office in Rochester, Kent. Once in post, team meetings etc. are held in Croydon, London.