

Life Skills Worker - Job Posting

Position Title: Life Skills Worker (LSW)
Position Type: Part-Time / Casual
Starting Wage: \$19.00 - \$23.00

Posting Summary:

Life Skills Workers (LSW) work with older teens or adults with Diverse Abilities. They work individually with one adult, or with groups of adults, in the client's home, Pivot Point's offices, or in community based settings to help teach skills related to the development of a safe, comfortable, and successful life for the individual being served.

The aim of the Life Skills Worker is to produce a measurable improvement in the adult's skills of communication, daily living, and socialization in home and community settings, to strengthen the family's resiliency and skill, and to help integrate the adult into their local community: It's all about "improving their quality of life", both now and long into their future through what they learn now.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Coordinate with Pivot Point Team and family to teach skills for independent living
 including physical tasks such as those related to hygiene and home care, but also skills
 related to community based independence. Ideally these skills should occur in the
 client's living environment and community.
- Train skills required for independence in the home environment including: teaching food
 preparation skills; teaching self care/hygiene routines and teaching home care routines
 such as vacuuming, laundry, basic meal prep, dusting, changing bedding, etc.
- Match the kind and amount of instruction to the client's learning style. Instruction may
 consist of verbal instruction, writing lists for the member, putting color coded markers on
 a list corresponding to markers on objects in the home environment, or just lending
 moral support.
- Train skills required for independence in the community environment including: banking, shopping, bus skills, accessing recreational activities, etc.
- Make available the opportunity for clients to participate in integrated community activities, in order to learn new skills and make choices.
- Monitor health needs ensuring that preventative health care practices are utilized.
- Complete monthly case notes within the casefile to chart the progress of the client.
- Record and read all related information in the client's file on a regular basis.
- Complete all required documents, and maintain the confidentiality of all staff, clients records and reports.

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Qualifications

- Post-secondary education in a related area of study including:
 - o Disability and Applied Behaviour Analysis
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 - o Special Education Assistant
 - o Child and Youth Care
 - o Community Support Worker
 - o Early Childhood Education
 - o Psychology or Social Work
- LSW's are required to deal with and effectively communicate with a wide range of people; work effectively as part of a team; schedule a number of activities, meetings, and/or events; gather, collate, and/or classify data; work with a diversity of individuals and/or groups; to build good working relationships; work sensitively and effectively with clients and their families
- Strong organizational skills
- LSW's must be able to work a flexible schedule as necessary based on client's schedules and program schedules
- Basic computer skills and daily access to personal internet (for data-taking) is required
- One year commitment
- Willingness to learn and grow
- Languages are an asset
- Ability to set boundaries with compassion and consistency
- Dependability & consistency in attending sessions
- Ability to express needs and take the initiative to create improvements for clients
- Ability to communicate effectively with co-workers & parents
- Have a reliable vehicle and a valid Driver's License with a clean driving record (Driver's Abstract will be required)
- Willingness to obtain Emergency First Aid

Why join the Pivot Point team?

Pivot Point specializes in *intensive therapeutic interventions* for children, teens and adults with Autism and other diverse abilities. This might be YOUR opportunity to join a comprehensive clinical team in your community, so you can move YOUR career to the next level.

If you have a passion for helping teens and adults with diverse abilities live their best life, join Pivot Point so we can work together to create positive change!

To apply, please visit http://pivotpoint.ca/apply-now to upload your resume and submit an application.

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