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|  | **DESCRIPTION** | **ESSENTIAL** | **DESIRABLE** | **EVIDENCE** |
| Qualifications | Degree or equivalent Diploma in Occupational Therapy | X |  | Application form  (proof of qualifications to be provided) |
| Registration with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) | X |  |
| Registered member of College of Occupational Therapist | X |  |
| Member of professional body; COTSS: CYPF, SINET. |  | X |
| Attendance at workshops/ seminars in Occupational Therapy. |  | X |
| Experience in working with individuals with ASC |  | X |
| Clean driving licence |  | X |
| knowledge | Comprehensive knowledge of the developmental stages of children and young people. | X |  | Application form  References  Interview |
| Knowledge of ASC including features of the disorder, how this impacts on learning, evidence-based strategies and approaches. | X |  |
| Knowledge of Occupational Therapy theory and practice relevant to working with children with special needs and their families. | X |  |
| Knowledge of the role and boundaries of the OT within the multidisciplinary team. | X |  |
| Sound awareness of the psychological and social factors of dysfunction and disability. | X |  |
| Knowledge of Educational Legislation and the National Curriculum |  | X |
| experience  ExPERIENCE  Cont’d | Interest in working with children and young people with ASC. | X |  | Employment history  Interview  Reference |
| An up to date professional portfolio demonstrating reflective learning. | X |  |
| Experience of working as a paediatric Occupational Therapist. |  | X |
| Experience of working with individuals with ASC and/or learning disabilities and/or with children in an education, health or care setting. |  | X |
| Experience of working with a multidisciplinary team. |  | X |
| An understanding of cultural differences and their impact on OT provision. | X |  |
| Experience of psychosocial aspects of working with families of children with severe disabilities. |  | X |
| Experience providing advice and training/teaching/presenting formally and informally to students, other professionals, parents and carers. |  | X |
| Experience of planning and running groups. |  | X |
| Specific experience of working within a Special Needs School. |  | X |
| Experience of using clinical reasoning and evidence based practice. | X |  |
| Direct experience or involvement with the research process. |  | X |
| Experience of initiation or involvement in service development/projects. |  | X |
| Experience of providing training. |  | X |
| Experience of working in a multi-cultural environment. |  | X |
| Experience of provision of specialist comprehensive written information to parents and other professionals including the SEN statementing process/Education Health and Care plans. |  | X |
| Skills | Ability to present clearly, in person and on paper. | X |  | Employment history  Interview  References |
| Ability to organise and prioritise workload. | X |  |
| Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a team, with a range of professionals and statutory bodies. | X |  |
| Ability to reflect on clinical practice and experience. | X |  |
| Ability to undertake physical activity involved with therapeutic handling of children and young people on caseload including equipment adjustments and manual handling. | X |  |
| Clear & concise written skills with competency in IT skills for reports, advice/activity suggestions and internet use to access Occupational Therapy related information. | X |  |
| Ability to communicate clearly and sensitively with parents, carers and professionals. | X |  |
| Ability to recognise and manage difference of opinion in both client related and inter-professional situations. | X |  |
| Ability to think creatively. | X |  |
| An ability to use clinical and ethical reasoning skills to analyse and interpret assessment findings, plan and evaluate intervention programmes. | X |  |
| Ability to plan and prioritise incoming workload | X |  |
| Skills in Occupational Therapy assessment and intervnetion of motor skills. |  | X |
| Experience of adapting activities to develop core skills | X | X |
| Awareness of sensory processing difficulties. | X |  |
| Understanding of the importance of providing intervention to address sensory processing difficulties. |  | X |
| Personal Qualities and attributes | Commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion | X |  | Employment history  Interview  References |
| Passion for working with young people with ASC | X |  |
| Flexibility and adaptability | X |  |
| Commitment to actively promoting the policies and procedures of the school | X |  |
| Sensitivity, diplomacy and tact | X |  |
| An excellent team player | X |  |
| Clear commitment to supporting staff development | X |  |
| Confidentiality | X |  |
| Commitment to personal and professional development | X |  |
| A commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people | X |  |
| A positive and resilient individual with drive, integrity, a cheerful disposition and sense of humour | X |  |
| Ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines | X |  |

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