

Welfare Officer Job Description

Hours of work: 08:30 – 18:00, Monday- Friday (*Total hours will not exceed 45 hours per week*) **Salary:** £559.79 – £680.83 salary per week dependant on age, internal/external experience, qualifications and camp size

Reportable to: Camp Manager, Area Manager and Central Office

Barracudas is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff to share this commitment.

WELFARE OFFICER DUTIES

- 1. Support/Deliver Induction Training and oversee the Set-Up days ahead of Camp.
- 2. Enforce Health and Safety regulations to ensure a safe environment.
- 3. Update and communicate with Area Managers and Central Office on a daily/weekly basis
- 4. Spend time in larger groups to gain an understanding of the dynamics. Ensure that the needs of the children in your care are met with active supervision and attention throughout the day including breaks and lunch times.
- 5. Get to know the children in your group as individuals find out their interests and incorporate these into their day on camp.
- 6. Liaise with parents and guardians regarding any feedback in relation to their child's time at camp. Some of which could be complaint handling which requires communication with Central Office.
- 7. Designated Person (DP) for Safeguarding (dealing with Child Protection and safeguarding issues) with the CM/EYM assisting.
- 8. Implement and role model behaviour management strategies to assist general staff with their day-to-day role.
- 9. Ensure that all relevant information relating to a child (child notes) are shared with the appropriate staff ahead of camp. Camp Administrators can support with the administrative tasks.
- 10. Oversee the responsibility of issuing action plans whilst supporting staff & children's behavioural challenges, safeguarding concerns, and their general welfare.
- 11. Carry out general observations around camp to ensure the welfare of the children and staff is to the correct standards required.
- 12. Communicate with parents & Central Office on matters regarding any additional SEND support or challenging behavioural concerns the camp is experiencing.

REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Attend compulsory Senior Training events (see contract for further details)
- 2. Experience in childcare settings, holiday camps, and/or supporting a team
- 3. Be qualified or have experience in offering pastoral support
- 4. Be eligible to work in the UK
- 5. Obtain an enhanced DBS check through Barracudas or have an existing enhanced DBS on the Update Service
- 6. Provide satisfactory professional/academic reference



- 7. Attend and deliver Induction Training Day/s (this will most likely take place within the 7-day period before your camp opens)
- 8. Complete Online Training annually
- 9. Complete a 12 hour Paediatric First Aid Course prior to working (provided by Barracudas or an external company)
- 10. Assist with Staff disciplinaries throughout the operating season

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Fulfil Health and Safety obligations by following procedures and safe systems as detailed in manuals and training.
- 2. Complete paperwork and high-risk activities in accordance with Barracudas Activity Codes of Practice.
- 3. Be proactive and diligent when approaching safety issues.
- 4. Prepare for Induction training using relevant manuals.
- 5. Complete a staff evaluation for each member of staff at the end of their contract.
- 6. Report Child Protection concerns to a Designated Person at Central Office.
- 7. Ensure staff are aware of any children who have additional, medical, or dietary needs (may need to assist with making reasonable adjustments).
- 8. Ensure necessary medication is administered correctly following EI forms and complete appropriate documentation.
- 9. Bring swimwear daily as may be required to support a swimming session.
- 10. Ensure site and baserooms are kept tidy, and all equipment packed away.
- 11. The above is not an exhaustive list of duties and you will be expected to perform different tasks as necessitated by your changing role within the organisation and the overall business objectives of the organisation.

Barracudas are committed to equal opportunities in employment and this post does require an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service Check.

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