

Lifestart Supporting Parents: Family Visitor New Communities (Part Time) (<https://www.activelink.ie/node/115382>)



Lifestart Supporting Parents Leitrim, Sligo & West Cavan

Family Visitor New Communities

Hours: 20 hours per week. This is a 12-month fixed term contract. Extension of contract subject to funding.

Pay: €17.83 per hour

Base: LSP office Drumsna, County Leitrim

Responsible to: LSP Regional Manager

Job Summary:

To deliver the Lifestart home-based Growing Child Programme to New Community families living in IPAS services and in the wider community. To keep records and make reports as per agreed procedures and reporting mechanisms. To signpost and support parents to avail of other support services in County Leitrim. To provide additional needs led parenting supports.

The responsibilities of the Family Visitor are as follows:

- To be committed to the Ethos and Mission Statement of Lifestart.
- To gain a working knowledge of the principles, values and structures of Lifestart.
- To undertake relevant training, as required.
- To gain a working knowledge and understanding of the Growing Child programme and associated educational and learning resources.
- To deliver the Growing Child curriculum to enable parents to implement the programme within the home setting.
- To demonstrate to parents the importance of play to support development and connection.
- To provide additional supports to families with identified needs eg extra support around toilet training, managing behaviours.
- To gain a working knowledge of other Lifestart parenting support programmes.
- To adhere to the policies and procedures of the organisation including Child Protection.
- To work collaboratively with other staff as part of a team.
- To keep accurate reports and records, as required and, to make information available to appropriate others in accordance with agreed protocols.
- To always maintain confidentiality in relation to the Lifestart organisation.
- To become aware of local statutory, voluntary and community providers within the area.
- To sign-post and support parents to avail of other appropriate support services in accordance with agreed protocols.
- To liaise, network and represent the project, as requested
- To carry out any other duties appropriate to the development of the Lifestart programme within competence and reason.
- To meet the needs of the families the FV will be required to work flexible hours

Person Specification

Education:

Essential

- A relevant qualification in Early Childhood Care & Education, Applied Social Care, Community Development or equivalent

Experience:

Essential

- A minimum of 2 years work experience in a relevant field

Desirable

- Experience of working in the family home & supporting parents/caregivers
- Experience of working with children under 5 years old
- Facilitation experience
- Experience and understanding of Trauma informed Practice

Essential

- Full clean driving licence
- Use of a car

Skills

- A team player with good interpersonal skills and the ability to engage with a range of people and organisations.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Good organisational skills as well as attention to detail.
- High level of computer literacy and competency in Word, Excel and Powerpoint.
- Experience of multidisciplinary meetings and the Meitheal process.
- Experience in using social media platforms.
- Ability to remain calm under pressure and respond quickly to changing demands and demonstrate strong skills in prioritisation and time management.
- Display a positive manner and integrity, confidentiality and commitment.

To apply:

Please submit a recent copy of your C.V and a cover letter outlining your reasons for applying for the post to admin@lifestartsp.ie (mailto:admin@lifestartsp.ie) **by 5.00pm, Monday 19th May 2025**

*Please note late applications and CV applications without a cover letter will not be accepted.

Region

Drumsna, Co Leitrim

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