AHP Sustainability Volunteer 2020

Job Description

A position is available for an AHP Sustainabilty Volunteer, to support the development of sustainable practice within the allied health professions.

**Host organisation:**

Centre for Sustainable Healthcare

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CSH is an independent charity working with clinicians, healthcare managers, local community and service users to create a higher quality, cost-efficient, more sustainable health service. CSH has developed and pioneered the Sustainable Specialties approach to transforming healthcare, and hosts the AHP Sustainable Practice Network (AHP Susnet).

**Contact person:**

Ben Whittaker

Allied Health Professions Lead

[ben.whittaker@sustainablehealthcare.org.uk](mailto:ben.whittaker@sustainablehealthcare.org.uk)

**Details:**

CSH is offering a voluntary positions within the AHP Programme to a UK-based AHP practitioner, student or educator.

The volunteer will focus on supporting the inclusion of sustainability within education for the allied health professions through the development of teaching materials.

Volunteers will be asked to make montly posts on AHP Susnet.

Benefits for the volunteer: The position will give the volunteer a unique opportunity to: learn about sustainable healthcare, especially as it relates to AHP practice and education; contribute to developing AHP Susnet, which supports the embedding of sustainability in the allied health professions both nationally and globally; gain CV points; and develop skills in writing, web content management, web-based research, networking and producing case studies.

Start and finish dates: To start as soon as possible in September 2020 and work for six months until March 2021.

Time commitment: Four hours per week.

Location: Work can be carried out from home.

Expenses: Travel expenses using public transport can be reimbursed for activites directly related to your work with us, as agreed in advance with CSH staff.

Supervision: Successful candidates will be supported by Ben Whittaker (Allied Health Professions Lead at CSH) through individual supervision, with phone support and email contact as required, and also through group video conferencing with Ben and other Sustainability Volunteers.

**Application process:**

* Applications are invited by curriculum vitae and covering letter, should be sent to: [ben.whittaker@sustainablehealthcare.org.uk](mailto:ben.whittaker@sustainablehealthcare.org.uk) Expressions of interest should include why you think you would be suitable for this position and what you would bring to it, which role(s) you would most be interested in, and confirm your experience and commitment.
* Closing date: Monday 14th September 2020, 9am.

**Further information:**

To find out more about sustainability in the allied health professions please refer to AHP Susnet:

* <https://networks.sustainablehealthcare.org.uk/network/ahp-susnet>

For any further queries about the voluntary post please contact Ben Whittaker at CSH: [ben.whittaker@sustainablehealthcare.org.uk](mailto:ben.whittaker@sustainablehealthcare.org.uk)

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Person Specification

**Essential characteristics**

* Registered AHP, AHP student or AHP educator
* An understanding of CSH’s aims and objectives, and the four principles of sustainable clinical practice
* Enthusiasm for improving the economic, environmental and social sustainability of AHP services
* Evidence of ability to organise and manage own work
* Excellent written and verbal communication skills
* IT skills - proficiency in:
  + word processing and data spreadsheets
  + use of email

**Desirable characteristics**

* Demonstrates previous commitment to sustainable development
* Understanding of issues relating to climate change, sustainable development and health
* Experience of leading or managing behaviour change
* Use of online discussion forums and blogs