

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Pre-Accreditation Counsellor (Self-Employed)

	Essential	Desirable
Qualification	Recognised Counselling or psychotherapy qualification to diploma level or equivalent Accreditable with BACP or equivalent (may not have all the hours needed yet, but must meet other requirements and have at least 300 hours, ideally 350)	Supervision qualification Qualified in any other NICE recommended modality (DIT, IPT, EMDR, Couples CfD, CfD
Experience	Experience of delivering time- limited interventions Ability to manage own caseload and time	Worked in a service where agreed targets in place demonstrating clinical outcomes Demonstrable experience of working in primary care mental health services Experience with routine outcome monitoring
Skills & Competencies	 Full range of counselling skills and competencies Well developed skills to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, complex or sensitive information to clients and other professionals Skills to undertake risk assessments for clients for whom you hold clinical responsibility Able to develop good positive relationships with clients and other professionals Ability to work under pressure 	



Knowledge	Demonstrates an understanding of anxiety and depression and how it may present in Primary Care Demonstrates an understanding for the need to use evidence based psychological therapies Knowledge of child protection issues and safeguarding vulnerable adults	Demonstrates a knowledge of the issues surrounding work and the impact it can have on mental health Demonstrate a knowledge of benefits & employment systems
Training	Good record of Continuing Professional Development and willingness to continue this	
Other Requirements	 High level of enthusiasm and motivation. Ability to use clinical supervision and personal development positively and effectively Regard for others and respect for individual rights of autonomy and confidentiality Ability to be self reflective, whilst working with service users, & in own personal and professional development and in supervision 	Fluent in languages other than English Experience of working with diverse communities and within a multicultural setting