



Derbyshire Mind has a long history of providing high quality, independent advocacy services throughout Derbyshire. Our Independent Specialist and Community Advocacy teams support clients to express their views, wishes and feelings and assist them in safeguarding their rights.

Advocates work with a wide range of service users to ensure that an individual's unique views, wishes and preferences are expressed clearly and are central to care planning and decision making. An advocate will help service users to speak up and act for themselves and will facilitate supported decision making. This can include listening/providing information and representing someone's views by speaking on their behalf.

We are looking for an enthusiastic, passionate, hard-working individual to join our Advocacy Team.

We have the following vacancy:-

#### Independent Community Advocate

- 37 hours per week.
- £24,870 – £25,801. Starting salary £24,870 per annum.
- A combination of office based working at Chesterfield, working from home and with travel throughout Derbyshire and out of area when required.

Carrying a busy caseload providing one-to-one advocacy support to a range of vulnerable people in the community who require support to have their voice heard when important decisions are being made about their lives or to overcome issues that are impacting on their health and wellbeing. Our Community Advocates also provide statutory advocacy support to those who qualify under the Care Act 2014, therefore, a sound understanding of this legislation is required.

A qualification in independent advocacy is desirable although not essential as Derbyshire Mind is willing to support successful candidates to achieve this work

Application packs are available for download from:-

[www.derbyshiremind.org.uk](http://www.derbyshiremind.org.uk)

Alternatively, please email [recruitment@derbyshiremind.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@derbyshiremind.org.uk)

CLOSING DATE : Wednesday 30 June 2021, at 5 pm.

Interviews will be held either face to face or by video call during the week of 26 July 2021. This will be confirmed in the interview invite.

*These posts are subject to a criminal records check with the disclosure and barring service.*

*Derbyshire Mind aims to be an Equal Opportunities Employer.*