

Trainee Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) Mental Health Support Teams in Schools



A message from our CEO, Allan Myatt



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Trainee Education Mental Health Practitioner, Mental Health Support Teams in Schools.

At Ormiston Families we know families are the very fabric of life and have been supporting them to make long-lasting positive changes for 40 years, resulting in brighter futures for the next generation. Our vision is that every child, in every family in the East of England can get the support they need to bounce back from challenges and ensure they are safe, healthy and resilient.

With the increased awareness of the importance of mental wellbeing, more children and young people are asking and being referred for help sooner. We see the recruitment of this post as critical in helping us to grow and enhance our services to address this.

I wish you the best of luck with your application.

Best regards,

Allan Myatt



Our vision

Safe, healthy, resilient families

Our mission

Enabling families in the east of England to build resilience and make choices to improve the life chances of their children

Our values

Collaborative

- Working together with families
- Building partnerships, communities and networks to support families
- · Valuing each other to achieve results and improve everything we do

Compassionate

- Listening, so we can understand
- Treating people with respect
- Enabling, recognising and reinforcing achievements

Effective

- Evidencing the impact of our work with families
- Prevention and early intervention being at the heart of our work
- Building resilience to cope and recover from adversity



Ormiston Families is one of the leading charities working with children, young people and families in the East of England. We take early and preventative action to support families to be safe, healthy and resilient. All our services help people to build stronger networks, learn from experience and feel in control of their own wellbeing. We can only achieve this with the people who choose to work for us.

Mental Health Support Teams in Schools is a government initiative to support children and young people at the earliest opportunity by developing mentally health schools. Ormiston Families works in partnership with the Norfolk and Waveney Health and Care Partnership to deliver evidence-based interventions across a group of schools.

About the role

The post holder will train in low intensity, CBT-informed interventions at the University of East Anglia as part of a whole school approach to improving children and young people's mental health. You will be part of a Team based in Breckland or Norwich. There is an expectation that you will be able to travel independently to visit and work with educational settings in the area. This is a fast-developing service, and it is expected that there will be continued investment in this area over the next five years.

The role of the Education Mental Health Practitioner within MHSTs is pivotal in improving access to evidence-based intervention at the earliest opportunity. Working alongside school staff, you will develop a positive culture which allows children and young people to talk about their mental health without fear of being stigmatized and develop a whole school approach to educating pupils positive steps to stay mentally well and recognize when support is needed.

Alongside the development of whole school approaches, you will also be carrying out direct CBT-informed interventions with children and young people experiencing mild to moderate mental health difficulties. These individual interventions will take place in their educational setting and where appropriate, you will collaborate with parents/carers to coproduce their own agreed plan of care.

You will receive high-quality supervision from the Senior Children Wellbeing Practitioner/Senior Therapist who will support you to reflect on your learning and enable you to use this in practice. This will be key to ensuring the successful delivery and sustainability of the MHSTs.

Once you have qualified from your training with the University of East Anglia, you will receive your Education Mental Health Practitioner accreditation. Obtaining this accreditation means you will have the opportunity to join the Psychological Professions Network, which is a membership network for all psychological professionals and stakeholders in NHS commissioned psychological healthcare.



About you

As the post holder you will have interest in the wellbeing and mental health of children and young people. Early intervention and the ability to engage with a wide range of professionals. You will have experience of working with children, young people and parents and have an understanding or knowledge of a range of presenting mental health difficulties and challenging behaviour.

This post is full time, 37.5 hours per week. The starting salary of this post of £22,572 per annum – Ormiston Families Grade 6 Point 23. Rising to £25,656 per annum – Ormiston Families Grade 7 Point 27, on successful completion of the probationary period and training. Please note, during the training year there is an expectation to complete some of the course outside of work hours.

Probationary Period

The post is subject to a probationary period of six months during which your progress will be monitored in accordance with agreed objectives and subject to the completion of your EMHP Qualification.

Application Process

Applicants must send in a completed online application form; you must demonstrate that you hold the personal competencies required for the role and how you meet the relevant skills, knowledge and experience. Please can applicant stipulate in their personal statement which location they are applyin for, also.

As part of your personal statement please include a 500-word piece reflecting on the Mental Health Support Team project. Consider the political climate and current challenges, how do you think MHSTS will support improving children and young people's mental health.

Ormiston Families is an equal opportunities employer. We value diversity and welcome applications from all sections of the community. We ask individuals to complete a monitoring form to help us monitor the diversity of applicants. It will be separated from your application form and will not be seen by anyone involved in recruitment to this job.

Please note: Only successful applicants will be contacted by Ormiston Families.



Job Description

Job Title: Trainee Education Mental Health Practitioner
Service: Mental Health Support Teams in Schools

Location: Breckland or Norwich

The Role Title	Education Mental Health Practitioner (In Training)		
Key Deliverables	To allow the postholder, under supervision and with support, to develop knowledge and practice skills in		
	 Delivering evidence-based, CBT-informed interventions for children and young people in education settings with mild to moderate mental health problems Helping children and young people within these settings who present with more severe problems to rapidly access more specialist services Supporting and facilitating staff in education settings to identify and where appropriate manage issues related to mental health and wellbeing Working with and within education environments to afford better access to specialist mental health services And to evidence development of those skills with associated knowledge acquisition to record and evidence progression towards an academic award and practical ability. This will be demonstrated through written assignments, clinical video recordings and 		
	case study presentations.		
Examples of Key Relationships	Educational supervisor		
	Higher Education Institution		
	Placement supervisor		
	Identified school settings		
	Mental Health Support Team Lead		
	Line Manager		
	Clinical Supervisor Children, young people and families/carers		
Therapeutic Assessment and Intervention	 Be educationally supervised, supported and assessed oneself to assess and deliver outcome focused, evidence-based, CBT-informed interventions in educational settings for children and young people experiencing mild to moderate mental health difficulties. Developing skills in supporting children and young people experiencing mild to moderate mental health difficulties, their parents/carers, families and educators in the self-management of presenting difficulties. Developing and practicing evidence-based skills under supervisory support of working in partnership with children, young people, their families and educators in the development of plans for the specific intervention and agreeing outcomes. 		



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Title	(In Training)		
	 Developing and learning the skills required in order to enable children and young people in education, and where appropriate parents/carers to collaborate and coproduce their own agreed plan of care. 		
	5. Show evidence in a variety of forms that at all times assessment and intervention is provided from an inclusive values base, which recognises and respects diversity.		
	6. Discuss with supervisors and agree to accept appropriate referrals for children and young people in educational settings, according to agreed local and national and local referral routes, processes and procedures.		
	Under supervision, undertake accurate assessments of risk to self and others.		
	Learn, understand, rationalise and adhere to the protocols within the educational service to which the postholder is attached.		
	 Engage along with more senior staff in the signposting of referrals for children and young people with more complex needs to the relevant service. 		
	 Engage in robust managerial and clinical supervision, identifying the scope of practice of the individual postholder within the role, and working safely within that scope. 		
	11. Gain and practice a range of interventions related to provision of information and support for evidence based psychological treatments, primarily guided self-help.		
	Practice, evidence, reflect on and demonstrate an ability to manage one's own caseload in conjunction with the requirements of the team.		
	13. Attend multi-disciplinary and multi-agency meetings relating to referrals or children and young people in treatment, where appropriate, both for personal educational benefit in discussion with supervisors, or to provide direct assistance.		
	14. Keep coherent records of all training and clinical activity in line with both health and education service protocols and use these records and outcome data to inform decision making.		
	15. Complete all requirements relating to data collection.16. Show evidence of working within a collaborative approach, involving a range of relevant others when indicated. Specifically, work in collaboration with teachers and other educational staff, parents, children, young people and the wider community to enhance and broaden access to mental health services.		
	17. Contribute to the development of individual or group clinical materials or training materials and go on to develop further such materials as falls within own degree of competence.		
Training & Supervision	18. Attend and fulfil all the requirements of the training element of the post including practical, academic and practice-based assessments. You will be committed to 4 days training a week and this will periodically reduce throughout the training year.		
	 Additional time required to commit to the completion of the course outside of University and work days. 		
	20. As well as attendance at the University for training, fulfil private study requirements to enhance learning and prepare assignments for examination, for at least one day a week.		
	Apply learning from the training program directly to practice through the course.		



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Title	 22. Receive practice tutoring from educational providers in relation to course work to meet the required standards. 23. Prepare and present case load information to supervisors within the service on an agreed and scheduled basis, in order to ensure safe practice and the governance obligations of the trainee, supervisor and service are delivered. 24. Respond to and evidence the implementation of improved practice because of supervisor feedback. 25. Engage in and respond to personal development supervision to improve competences and practice. 26. Be involved in the evaluation of the course 27. Disseminate research and service evaluation findings through presentations 		
	and supervisory discussions.		
Professional	 28. Ensure the maintenance of standards of own professional practice according to both the postholder's employer and the Higher Education Institution in which they are enrolled. 29. Ensure appropriate adherence to any new recommendations or guidelines set by the relevant departments. 30. Ensure that confidentiality is always protected. 31. Ensure that any risks or issues related to the safety and wellbeing of anyone the postholder comes into contact within the course of their professional duties are communicated and shared with appropriate parties in order to maintain individual safety and the public interest. 32. Ensure clear objectives are identified, discussed and reviewed with supervisor and senior colleagues on a regular basis as part of continuing professional development. 33. Participate in individual performance review and respond to agreed objectives. 34. Keep all records up to date in relation to Continuous Professional Development and the requirements of the post and ensure personal development plans maintains up to date specialist knowledge of latest theoretical and service delivery models/developments. 35. Attend relevant educational opportunities in line with identified professional objectives. 		



Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	 Ability to study at degree level. Proven record of previous academic attainment. Minimum NVQ Level 4 Qualification. Good solid basic literacy and numeracy qualifications at a minimum of level 2 	 A further relevant degree qualification Teaching qualification Youth Mental Health First Aid trained
Skills / Competencies	 Ability to learn in a variety of settings and using a variety of learning methods Computer literate Ability to study as a selfmotivated learner who can formulate their own progress towards learning objectives and negotiate pathways to achievement with supervisory teams 	 Ability to carry out 1:1 therapeutic mental health interventions with children Ability to carry out 1:1 therapeutic mental health interventions with families Ability to conduct group parenting programmes Ability to work within educational settings to increase mental health awareness within the staff group Ability to conduct mental health assessments of children and young people Ability to make an assessment of risk and to record and communicate it appropriately. Ability take appropriate action to mitigate or manage risk.
Knowledge	 Knowledge of the educational system in England Knowledge of children and young people gained through academic study in child development, child wellbeing or mental health. 	 Knowledge of educational environments Knowledge of safeguarding issues Knowledge of capacity and consent issues including Gillick competence
Previous Experience	 The applicant will have previous experience of working with children and young people Ideally candidates will have experience in both mental health and in education 	 Experience of working with children and young people, their families and others. Experience of working and liaising with a wide variety of agencies and stakeholders
Specialist Experience	 Experience in co-production with children and young people. 	 Experience of working with children and young people who have social, emotional and/or behavioural difficulties



	Essential	Desirable
	The applicant will have some knowledge or previous experience of Safeguarding.	Experience of working with anxiety disorders Experience of working with affective (mood) disorders Experience of the delivery of specific therapeutic interventions to children, young people or their families (e.g. CBT, solution focused brief therapy)
Specific Attributes	 Full, enhanced and current satisfactory DBS disclosure for the role Once qualified, the applicant will understand that they will manage a sensitive, traumatic, and potentially emotionally distressing caseload. Excellent oral and written communication skills 	 Full, enhanced and current satisfactory DBS disclosure for the role Ability to personally manage a sensitive, traumatic and potentially emotionally distressing caseload Excellent oral and written communication skills
Personal Qualities	 Holding a Driving License and having access to a car for work purposes is essential. The post requires regular travel to the UEA and MHST schools. Self-motivated Team player Excellent time management and organisational skills Able to meet the physical requirements of the role after reasonable adjustments have been made for any illness or disability. 	



We asked young people...

What makes an ideal worker?

The ideal worker should be someone who...

Doesn't expect too much from you signposting skills

Respects your individuality

Is non-

Understands that not one size fits all

Is nonjudgemental & takes you seriously

> Tries to understand your behaviour and doesn't assume young people are just being naughty

Doesn't cut you off or make assumptions

Gives you space when you need it

IDEAL WORKER Is able to give appropriate and sensitive responses

Goes the extra mile or even cm!

Has knowledge of conditions and services

Praises achievement and gives positive feedback

Doesn't give labels like attention seeking

Is able to recognise signs of emotional and mental health problems







Generic Responsibilities - All Posts/Employees

The following are applicable to all posts and all employees.

General Duties

To undertake any other reasonable duty, which is appropriate to the grade when requested by Senior Staff.

To be familiar with and comply with all Ormiston Families policies, procedures, protocols and guidelines.

To demonstrate an understanding and commitment to the charity's values.

Professional and Personal Development

All staff must ensure that they are aware of their responsibilities by attending Mandatory Training and Induction programme.

All staff will have a formal appraisal with their manager at least every 12 months. Once performance/training objectives have been set, the staff member's progress will be reviewed on a regular basis so that new objectives can be agreed and set, in order to maintain progress in the service delivery.

All staff will be expected to take responsibility for their own professional development and will be supported to achieve development opportunities as appropriate.

Health and Safety

All staff have a responsibility to maintain health and safety of self and others within the performance of duties in accordance with health and safety policies, and to undertake specific health and safety responsibilities as directed. All staff have a responsibility to adhere to the Risk Management Policies & Procedures.

All staff are required to contribute to the control of risk, and must report immediately any incident, accident or near miss involving service users, carers, staff, contractors or members of the public.

Confidentiality and Information Governance

All staff may gain or have access to confidential information about the assessment and/or treatment of service users, information affecting the public, private or work related staff information, or Charity matters. A breach of confidentiality will have occurred where any such information has been divulged, passed (deliberately or accidentally) or overheard by any unauthorised person or person(s). Breaches of confidentiality can result in disciplinary action, which may involve dismissal.

All staff must maintain a high standard of quality in corporate and clinical record keeping, ensuring information is always recorded accurately, appropriately and kept up to date. Staff must only access



information, whether paper, electronic or in other media which is authorised to them as part of their duties.

All staff must ensure compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Safeguarding: Adults and Children (Section 11 of the Children Act 2004)

Every member of staff has a responsibility to be aware of and follow at all times, the relevant national and local policy in relation to safeguarding children and safeguarding adults.

Senior Managers

Under Section 11 of the Children Act senior managers have responsibility for ensuring that service developments take into account the promotion of welfare and is informed by the views of children and families; providing training on safeguarding for all staff; recruiting safely; ensuring there is effective inter-agency working and information sharing.

Freedom of Information (FOI)

All members of staff must be aware of their responsibilities under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000. The Act gives individuals or organisations the right to request information held by the Charity. Staff must manage information they hold in such a way that meets the requirements of the Act. All requests for disclosures under the Act must be passed to the Freedom of information Officer.

Data Quality

The Charity recognises the role of reliable information in the delivery & development of its services and in assuring robust clinical and corporate governance. Data quality is central to this and the availability of complete, comprehensive, accurate and timely data is an essential component in the provision of high-quality mental health services. It is therefore the responsibility of all staff to ensure that where appropriate, information is recorded, at all times, in line with the Charity's Policy and Procedures for Data Quality.

This job description seeks to provide an outline of the duties and responsibilities of the post. It is not a definitive document and does not form part of the main statement of Terms and Conditions. The job description will be reviewed as part of the annual appraisal process and will be used as the basis for setting objectives.



Information about working for Ormiston Families'

You may find it helpful to know the following information about this position.

Duration:

• The post advertised is a full-time permanent position, 37.5 hours per week.

Hours of work and working arrangements:

- The normal working week is 37.5 hours, Monday to Friday and covers 52 weeks per year.
- In the training year, any annual leave should ideally be taken during the school holidays.
- You will be required to work flexibly to meet the needs of the service including evenings and weekends.

Location:

- The post will be located in Norwich or Breckland, with periodic visits to the Hub in Norwich.
- Regular travel to the University of East Anglia is required during the training year. This is currently being replaced by online lectures with the University of East Anglia and is subject to change.

Progressing through your grade:

- The salary of this post will rise to £25,656 per annum Grade 7 Point 27, upon successful completion of the probationary period and training.
- It will then rise with the scale by one increment each year, up to the maximum of that grade. Increments are awarded annually on the 1st April.

Probationary Period:

 The post is subject to a probationary period of 6 months during which your progress will be monitored in accordance with agreed objectives.

Salary:

- The starting salary of this post is £22,572 per annum Ormiston Families Grade 6 Point 23.
- Salary is paid in 12 equal instalments on the 25th of each month directly into your bank account and covers work carried out in the calendar month.



Benefits & recognition

All benefits are discretionary, and Ormiston Families reserves the right to change or amend benefits at any given time.

Cycle to Work:

• Cycle to Work allows you to order a new bike, equipment or both up to the value of £1,000 which you can pay back through your salary to make tax savings.

Annual leave entitlement:

- The basic annual leave entitlement is 27 days (plus 8 bank holiday days) plus additional leave for employees who have completed 3 years' service up to a maximum of 30 days as follows:
- Part-time employees receive a pro-rata allowance according to the number of hours they week per week).

Group Life Assurance:

• Ormiston Families provides a death in service benefit to all permanent employees.

Occupational sick pay scheme:

• Ormiston Families operates an occupational sick pay scheme in addition to statutory sick pay.

Pension:

• Ormiston Families provides a Group Personal Pension Scheme with up to 9% of gross salary employer contribution for any employee where they match the level of contribution.

Sponsorship:

 Ormiston Families provides sponsorship to employees who have completed their probationary and been in post for at least 12 months to undertake nationally accredited or chartered certification awarded by professional associations.

Employee Assistance Programme:

Ormiston Families provides a comprehensive employee assistance programme which offers
free and confidential access to telephone and face to face counselling (up to 6 sessions),
financial and legal advice and assistance in finding information about a wide range of subjects
from childcare to moving to a new house.

The Hive:

• The Hive is a savings platform which can be accessed by employees to make everyday purchases at reduced costs. Employees can save money by purchasing reloadable cards, obtain cashback through online purchases, and make savings in some stores.

The Well-being Centre:

 Accessed via The Hive, the Wellbeing Centre provides education, support and tools to help you live a healthier and happier life.



Requirements of the post

Qualifications:

- If short-listed and you are required to hold a particular qualification for a post it is your responsibility to provide the relevant certification, to prove you are suitably qualified.
- Failure to produce documentary evidence of qualifications or undertake required courses/training may result in the termination of your employment.
- If a post requires you to take training or additional qualifications then, by accepting this post, you are agreeing to do the training or take the qualifications.

Medical examination:

- To ensure the post will not have a detrimental effect on your health or your health on your work, you will have to complete a health enquiry form on appointment and may be required to have a medical before the appointment can be offered formally.
- This is to confirm that you are able to satisfactorily carry out the post without any impact on your health (taking account of any reasonable adjustments required).

Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006:

- Before you can start working for Ormiston Families a check will need to be carried out to ensure you are eligible to work legally in the UK.
- This check will be undertaken in accordance with the Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006.
- You must supply proof of your entitlement to work in the UK by producing certain document(s) and you will be asked to bring these to your interview if you are shortlisted.
- Further information on working in the UK can be found by clicking on the link below to the UK Border Agency website: Link: http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/visas-immigration/working/

Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks:

- As this position meets the definition of regulated activity under the Protection of Freedom Act 2012, appointments to this post will be subject to an enhanced DBS check with barred list check
- Employment can commence once the check has been satisfactorily completed.
- If a candidate has a conviction on their DBS check, an assessment of the relevance and impact
 of the conviction in relation to the post will be done to determine if the job offer can be
 confirmed.
- It is a serious criminal offence to knowingly apply for posts when you have been barred from working with children/young people and/or vulnerable adults.
- Additional questions for roles working with children, young people or vulnerable adults to be explored at interview
- As this post involves working either with children and young people or vulnerable adults Warner or Safer care motivational type questions may be asked during the interview process.
- These questions are asked to establish your suitability to work with vulnerable groups by understanding your attitude, behaviour and responses to situations.
- The questions will relate to your inspiration for working with vulnerable groups, your ability to build relationships and your resilience when working with such groups and may also explore your attitude to the use of authority.
- If you feel you would find these questions about yourself difficult to respond to then you may wish to reflect upon your suitability for the post.



Transport status:

- If the post requires you to travel as part of your duties, you are responsible for your own travel arrangements.
- Any mileage undertaken on behalf of Ormiston Families' MHSTS will be paid at the appropriate rate of 45p per miles and within Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs guidelines.
- If you use your own vehicle for the purposes of work you must ensure that your insurance policy covers you for this purpose.

No smoking:

• Ormiston Families operates a Smoke Free Premises policy.



Standard Terms and Conditions

Probationary period:

• All new employees of Ormiston Families will be required to complete a 6-month probationary period. This may be extended in some circumstances.

Equal opportunities:

- Ormiston Families seeks to ensure that all employees are selected, trained and promoted on the basis of ability, the requirements of the post and other similar and objective criteria.
- The gender identity, disability, marital status, ethnic origin, age, pregnancy status, religion or belief, or sexual orientation of an applicant or employee does not affect the employment opportunities made available, except as permitted by legislation.
- In addition, applicants declaring a disability who meet the minimum (essential) criteria for a vacancy will be invited for interview.

Data protection:

- Ormiston Families is required by law to comply with the Data Protection Act 1998.
- Employees have an important role to play in ensuring that personal information is processed lawfully and fairly.
- Personal information is information relating to a living individual who can be identified.
- It is each individual employee's responsibility to handle all personal information properly no matter how it is collected, recorded and used, whether on paper, in a computer, or on other material.
- Personal information must not be disclosed to others unless authorised to do so.

Notice:

- Once your probationary period is completed, you will be required to give at least 4 weeks' notice in writing of termination of employment dependent upon length of service.
- You are entitled to receive a similar period to the notice you have to give or the minimum statutory provision under the Employment Right's Act 1996, whichever is greater, as set out below:

Grades 1-7:

Less than 6 months' service: 1 month
More than 6 months' service: 1 month

Grades 8-9:

Less than 6 month's service: 1 month
More than 6 month's service: 2 months

Grades 10-14:

Less than 6 month's service: 1 month
More than 6 month's service: 3 months



Application Process

- Applicants must send in a completed application form.
- You must demonstrate that you hold the personal competencies required for the role and how you meet the relevant qualifications, experience, knowledge and skills.
- Ormiston Families is an equal opportunities employer.
 - We value diversity and welcome applications from all sections of the community.
 - We ask individuals to complete a monitoring form to help us monitor the diversity of applicants. It will be separated from your application form and will not be seen by anyone involved in recruitment to this job.
- Ormiston encourages all candidates called for interview to provide details of their criminal record at an early stage in the application process.
 - This information can be sent under separate, confidential cover to the Human Resources hr@ormistonfamilies.org.uk
 - Ormiston Families guarantees that this information will only be seen by those who need to see it as part of the recruitment process.
- Applications will be considered and those shortlisted for interview will be informed.
- If you have not heard by the interview date we thank you in advance for your interest and ask you to assume that you have not been successful on this occasion.
- The post will be offered subject to satisfactory qualifications, DBS if applicable, references and a satisfactory declaration of health.
- The post will also be offered subject to the production of relevant documents as listed in the Immigration (Restriction on Employment) Order 2004.
- The successful candidate will be asked to provide evidence of identity and qualifications.

Closing date for completed applications: 9pm, Sunday 19th September 2021

Interviews will be held in two parts;

- Competency based interview approx. 30 minutes
- Young Person's Group Interview approx. 45 minutes

Interview date for short listed candidates:

Competency based interview – Week commencing 27th September 2021 Young Person's panel – TBC

Any queries, or for an informal discussion with one of the team managers regarding the role, please email: danny.sheehan@ormistonfamilies.org.uk or call 0800 977 4077

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