

## **Volunteer Role Description** **And Person Specification**

The Hull Drug Intervention Programme (DIP) provides support for adults with substance misuse problems and who have had recent involvement in the criminal justice system. Support is offered on a voluntary basis, alongside support that complies with national standards or bail conditions. The Hull DIP offers individuals support on a one to one basis. This would be in the form of assessment, onward referrals, harm minimisation advice, psycho-social interventions, motivational work and practical support.

**Volunteer: Volunteer Mentor**

**Managed and supported by: Volunteer Co-ordinator**

**Purpose: To support clients to engage in treatment services and social activities**

1. Support clients to attend appointments with clients
2. Support clients to access positive social activities
3. Attend referral meetings with clients
4. Advocacy work
5. Accompany client to HCC interviews and homeless approaches.

### ***Personal Specification***

1. *Ability to communicate clearly and effectively*
2. *Understanding of the issues and willingness to work in the field*
3. *Basic literacy and numeracy skills relevant to the role*
4. *Able to respect and maintain confidentiality*
5. *Able to respect and work within DIP boundaries*
6. *Able to work in a none judgmental and ant-oppressive manner*
7. *Ability to liaise with external agencies*
8. *Ability to deliver information and advice*
9. *Ability to advocate on the behalf of a client*
10. *Ability to motivate clients*
11. *Experience of working with people on a 'face to face' contact basis (on a paid or or voluntary basis)*
12. *Willingness to complete an initial induction*
13. *Willingness to undertake relevant training*
14. *Willingness to attend regular supervision & undertake work related accreditation*

### **Time Commitment:**

A minimum of one half day per week (4 hours) plus one hour per month for supervision and training.