



Blossom Ireland is an award-winning organisation providing life skills programmes and out of school activities and services for teenagers with special needs. We are passionate about giving our young people with special needs the choices they deserve. Our work has been recognised by Social Entrepreneurs Ireland, the Ireland Funds and Trinity College Dublin to name but a few. We are now looking for Teen Development Programme Facilitators to work alongside students completing the Blossom Teen Development Programme.

The Blossom Teen Development Programme is a skills-based programme designed to prepare teenagers with an intellectual disability for life after school. The programme focuses on identifying the skills they need to support them in their future.

We pride ourselves on our person-centred approach, unique training opportunities, fantastic support and we offer an Employee Assistance Programme and even paid lunch when working a full day!

**Role:** Teen Development Programme Facilitator

**Hours:** Blossom Teen Development Programme runs on Saturdays and evenings, term time. Approximately 10 hours per week, with scope to grow.

**Location:** Dublin 5 and surrounding area. Funded by the European Social Fund (ESF) and the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection (DEASP) and administered by Pobal.

**Salary:** €18 per hour, DOE.

### The person

- Reporting to the Education Programme Coordinator, we are looking for a passionate, outgoing and motivating facilitator to join our growing, dynamic team.
- Vast experience working directly with marginalised groups and direct experience working with young people with intellectual disabilities will be a distinct advantage.
- Passionate about seeing young people with disabilities achieve their full potential and being part of an innovative service that is continually developing and designed around the needs of the young people you work with and their families.
- Availability to work a full day on Saturdays and some evenings from approximately 6-9pm.
- A formal QQI accredited training in the area of disability, special needs, community and health services or equivalent.
- A third level qualification is not essential but it would be a distinct advantage.
- Hands on experience in working with children/teens with disabilities a distinct advantage.

### The Role

Blossom Teen Development Facilitators are responsible for students completing the Blossom Teen Development Programme. The following role description is an overview of the tasks required, but are not strictly limited to this:

1. Meeting and greeting students on arrival weekly.
2. Facilitating sessions and assisting in the development of lesson plans.

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3. Being aware of any additional supports that are required i.e. communication devices, sensory accommodations and any other accommodations that need to be made when out in the community.
4. Attend any parent meetings as scheduled with the Educational Programme Coordinator.
5. Highlight any issues related to learning, health or emotional wellbeing that come up during the course of the programme.
6. Advocate for Key students when required during the course of the programme.
7. Assisting students in setting up visual schedules on their ipads or ipods.
8. Accurately update student's data tracking learning progress.
9. Make weekly contact with parents to update on their teen's progress.

To apply for this role, send your **CV to [jobs@blossomireland.ie](mailto:jobs@blossomireland.ie)** An application form will be provided to successful candidates only.

Closing date for applications is **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. Applicants must be available for **telephone interview on 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2019 and a face to face interview Week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> of March**.

We will only use your information purely for recruitment purposes. We will hold your information safely and accordingly for up to one year in line with General Data Protection Regulations. If you wish to have your information deleted before then please do not hesitate to contact us.

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