

***Reducing Harm and Supporting Positive Change***

**ASCERT is a Northern Ireland charity and leading provider of services addressing drug and alcohol related issues.**

**Why join the ASCERT team?**

* 28 Days Annual Leave plus 11 Bank/Public Holidays
* Christmas Shopping Day
* Time off for Mental Health Awareness
* Time off in Lieu Policy
* Hybrid Working Options
* Investors in People GOLD employer
* Ongoing training & study opportunities
* Competitive Pension contributions from ASCERT
* Staff Wellbeing Programme
* Employee Assistance Programme through Inspire Workplaces
* Staff Working Groups to give staff a say in Organisational Development
* Staff Representatives
* Staff Reward & Recognition Programme

**We are currently looking to expand our team and are recruiting for the following position:**

**Counsellor (HOPE Schools Counselling service)**

As counsellor within ASCERT’s Services you will be part of a multidisciplinary team that provides services within a school setting. The Holistic Options for Promoting Resilience Schools (HOPE) Counselling service helps young people’ improved self-esteem, access to care, less interruption in learning, increased quality of everyday life and relationships, strengthening the use of their emotions, and increased self-awareness.

You will provide confidential support to young people aged 11 - 18 within a school’s environment using your skills and knowledge in working safely and ethically and practising within relevant Competency Frameworks and Standards in counselling.

**JOB Title Counsellor (HOPE Schools Counselling service)**

**RESPONSIBLE TO Service Manager**

**LOCATION Based within key post primary schools in Antrim & Mid Ulster area.**

**LENGTH OF POST This post is funded to September 2027 (with possible extension)**

**HOURS Pro rata (8.75 – 35 hours available) Part-year 38 week contract**

**SALARY £29,848 pro rata per annum (FTE for 35 hour contract, 52 weeks per year)**

**Plus 4% Pension**

Please send your CV along with a cover letter of no more than 500 words detailing how you meet the essential criteria to nualaa@ascert.biz

**12 noon on Tuesday 29th of October 2024**

ASCERT are an equal opportunities employer