



JOB DESCRIPTION

Title:	SUPPORT PLAYWORKER
Hours:	As and When
Responsible To:	IPOP Line Manager/Club Playleader
Responsible for:	Disabled Child or Young Person
Base:	Various

Job Summary:

- To facilitate the inclusion of disabled children/young people in local play/leisure provisions or the child/young person's home by providing support to an individual child/young person or small groups of children
- To encourage the provision of high quality play/leisure facilities by participating as a full team member in whichever club(s) you are placed
- Applicants will need to demonstrate a commitment to and an understanding of equal opportunities, diversity and safeguarding IPOP is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment

Training:

- All employees must undertake essential training sessions as outlined in the Staff Handbook and Training Policy
- To attend mandatory safeguarding training as part of employee induction and commit to attend annual refresher training.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- To assist the leader in providing a stimulating play programme for individual and/or small groups of disabled children/young people attending the club, which takes account of the child/young person's individual needs and interests
- To ensure that parents receive regular, positive and helpful feedback on their child's activities

- To undertake basic care functions for the child/young person where necessary (e.g. toileting, feeding, medication)
- To collect the child/young person from school or from school transport when required
- To work in ways that will enable the child/young person to participate fully in the activity.
- To participate fully as a member of the club by carrying out duties as directed by the club leader including from time to time substituting for other club or support playworkers so that the child can be more fully included
- To promote an awareness of children/young people with different abilities among club members
- To develop and maintain good working relationships with colleagues including those within the club team, IPOP team, parents and other professionals involved with child/young person in your care
- To attend training and IPOP team meetings as required
- To report any developments or concerns about particular children/young people to the club leader and the IPOP team
- To ensure any accidents/incidents are reported in line with the club's policies and procedures
- To support and promote equal opportunities
- To adhere to all of IPOP's published policies and procedures
- To carry out other such duties as appropriate within the scope of the post as may be required from time to time
- To demonstrate a commitment to safeguarding and child protection

Any offer of employment is subject to:

- Appropriate eligibility to work in the UK
- Two satisfactory references, one from your most recent employer
- An appropriate enhanced DBS from the Disclosure and Barring Service

PERSON SPECIFICATION
IPOP SUPPORT PLAYWORKER



<u>Requirements</u>		<u>Essential/Desirable</u>
Qualifications:	NVQ play/youth work qualification or equivalent or working towards.	D
Experience:	Work with disabled children and young people or those with SEN.	D
	Experience of working with children/young people in a play/youth setting.	D
Skills:	To work on own initiative.	E
	To be able to write reports.	D
	To devise and adapt activities.	E
	To work as a member of a team.	E
	Confident communicator.	E
	Willingness to undertake training.	E
	A flexible and creative approach to inclusion.	E
Equal Opportunities:	Demonstrate an understanding of equal opportunities.	E
	Understanding of the issues related to disability and inclusion.	E
	An understanding of IPOP's aims and values and willingness to work towards full inclusion.	D