



ana liffey drug project  
ACTION • PREVENTION • SUPPORT

**ROLE TITLE: GROUP FACILITATION SUPPORT VOLUNTEER (Athlone)**

**PURPOSE**

To actively engage with service users and support the work of the Ana Liffey Drug Project in a new harm reduction group aimed at under 18s. To co-facilitate in an under 18 environment with a focus on safety and relationship building.

**WHERE**

Athlone, Westmeath

**WHEN**

Thursdays from 2-5:30pm

**DURATION**

Weekly on a continual basis for a minimum of 6 months.

**SKILLS OR QUALIFICATIONS**

- Must be over 23 years of age.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- Knowledge of Ana Liffey's work or similar harm reduction/low threshold type service.
- Ability to work on your own initiative and as part of team.
- Good social & creative skills.
- Garda clearance required (Ana Liffey Drug Project will process this).
- Some experience of co-facilitating groups is desirable but not essential.
- Relevant education such as a diploma in Addiction or Youth Studies is desirable but not essential.

**WHY VOLUNTEER WITH THE ANA LIFFEY**

- Gain valuable experience of working in a low threshold / harm reduction type service.
- Opportunity to actively co-facilitate and develop skills in a gender specific, trauma aware group.
- Have input & suggestions to the topics explored during this group.

- Reflective practice learning environment which in turn develops new skills & approaches towards working with service users.
- The selected volunteer for this position can avail of both internal and external training opportunities as they arise.

### **WHY WE NEED YOU**

This is an opportunity to volunteer with both a national and well respected organisation. The Ana Liffey Drug project values the contribution that volunteers have given to the organisation as a whole.

### **ORIENTATION AND TRAINING**

The volunteer will be supported in this new role by an experienced member of staff at all times. Orientation and training will be given.

### **TO APPLY**

Please go to our website to find the Volunteer Application form on our Volunteer page (<http://www.aldp.ie/about/volunteer>)

Please reference 'Group Athlone' under the specific role you are interested in.

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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