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Role Title:	ALDP North East Region NSP Volunteer
Purpose:	<p>The ALDP North East Region NSP function is an extension of our service established in order to provide needle exchange and harm reduction interventions in partnership with local services where possible. The other function is to increase awareness of the service among potential users or those who may refer clients to us. We can provide friendly non-judgmental advice and support on an outreach basis, either travelling to a client's home or arranging to meet in a suitable local location. .</p> <p><u>Services provided include</u> Meeting people where they are at to offer service and information in a variety of locations Promotion of ALDP to those in need Advocacy Phone calls Referrals to ALDP and other services and brief solution-focused interventions To provide follow-up from previous meetings</p>
Where:	Louth and Meath
When:	Monday (Louth) and Tuesday (Meath)
Time requirements:	Desirable 9:30am till 5:00pm but can be broken into morning session from 9:30 till 1:00pm and afternoons 2:00pm till 5:00pm Schedules can be accommodated for weekly or monthly commitments.
Duration:	3 months' probation with a minimum of 6 months commitment would be anticipated with a review at the end of the 6 months



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Requirements Skills or Qualifications:	<p>Essential attributes</p> <p>Ability to build relationships based on mutual trust and respect Outgoing personality The ability to stay calm under pressure Good Communication and interpersonal skills Good team player To be discreet and tactful Must be at least 23 years old Willingness to liaise with local projects Understanding of community work in rural areas Must be able to understand, communicate and uphold ALDP regulations. Must demonstrate poise, compassion and non-judgment toward clients.</p> <p>Desirable Attributes</p> <p>Experience in the field of addiction and the homeless services would be an advantage</p>
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What's In It For You the Volunteer:	Benefit to volunteer: Be part of our Poole Volunteer Programme Gain valuable real-world experience in the area of addiction Learn about needle and syringe programmes, health promotion and harm reduction principles Be part of a wider community Share professional skills Add to your work profile Support advice and recognition Stepping stone to another career path Supervision Reimbursement of expenses Insurance cover Initial induction with additional training opportunities
Why We Want You:	<p>The Ana Liffey Drug Project's North East Region NSP seeks volunteers to help us to increase our capacity to work with more clients in our North East Region NSP service. By becoming a North East Region NSP volunteer.</p> <p>The role of the NSP Volunteer will be to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Be present as a second person in line with the ALDP lone working policy.To welcome service users to the NSP unitProvide brief interventions and referral to local agenciesTo refer in-depth intervention pieces to staff memberHelp manage the area surrounding the mobile or fixed siteEngage with clients around ancillary supportsEngage with clients waiting to access the programmeAssist clients with phone calls and advocacy requestsTo help maintain order around the NSP unit



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Orientation and Training:	<p>General Volunteer orientation</p> <p>Additional training based on duties</p> <p>An orientation covering emergency procedures, ALDP policies, resource management, and service tour.</p> <p>A process of job shadowing and supervised training directly related to all tasks.</p> <p>Opportunities to be part of ALDP training and education programs throughout the year.</p> <p>A mentor program with experienced staff members is available to all volunteers.</p> <p>No formal training is given for this role; however full support will be given to help volunteers understand and carry out any aspect of the role as appropriate.</p>
Notes:	<p>Screening details for the role: Informal interview, reference checks and Garda clearance</p>
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