

Moving into Leading and Managing Services for Children and Young People

Context

Did you know that that evidence suggests that 50% of strategic leaders across youth support services are likely to retire in the next decade? Are you up for the challenge of becoming a modern leader?

If you are an aspiring or new manager who is committed to learning and developing themselves then this is just the course for you!

The CWDC have commissioned Youthforce to design and pilot a management programme aimed at supporting the development of new and aspiring middle managers of children and young people's services, within both local authority and third sector projects. Two cohorts will take place in London and the South East.

Course Aims

Accredited by the University of Brighton at HE level 3 (degree level) the module aims to:

- *enable and inspire existing and aspiring new managers to think more about strategic partnerships between their own and other organisations both within and beyond their occupational group;*
- *facilitate a better understanding of the sectors landscape to be better placed to innovate and respond creatively to development, funding and delivery challenges;*
- *enable existing and potential middle managers to think beyond operational, to more strategic management, to achieve better outcomes for children and young people;*
- *develop knowledge of the role of leadership as a behaviour in achieving better outcomes for children and young people.*

Assessment

Students will be required to complete a written piece of work that incorporates learning from the module within the context of their own organisation. A supporting piece of work that reflects their learning during the course is also required.

Methodology

Don't let the above put you off! You will be taking part in something dynamic and different. We will be using highly innovative methods of teaching and learning which in turn will empower you to do something a different. We also intend to practice what we preach during the module through collaboration and integrated ways of supporting each other.

Entry requirements

Applicants should be working in a relevant job role that will enable them to put learning into practice. They will also be required to hold a professional qualification at HE level 02 or above (a diploma in higher education or a foundation degree for example).

Dates

Tutorial sessions will take place for both London and Hove cohorts on 7th January, 21st January & 4th February 2009. It is vital that you can attend all of the sessions due to the collaborative nature of the course.

Venue

London cohort will take place in Stratford in East London & South East cohort will take place in Hove – details to be given once places are confirmed.

Costs

No cost. Non attendance fee of £100

What next?

To find out more or ask for an application form email info@youthforce.co.uk or call Youthforce on 01273 776779.

Applications must be received by no later than 5pm on Thursday 4th December 2008.