**Guidance notes for completion of Application Form**

* Candidates are shortlisted for the next stage of the recruitment process based on information contained in the application form which meets the criteria detailed in the personnel specification. **Please refer to the job description and personnel specification before completing.**
* Please ensure that application form is completed in type. Handwritten applications will not be accepted.
* Relevant information relating to experience/competence must be completed within the relevant section/box provided. If this information is submitted in another section/box, it willnot be considered by the short-listing panel.
* Application forms which are received after the closing date will not be considered.
* No additional information in support of your application form will be considered.
* Application forms must be submitted in a Microsoft Word format and by email **only.**  If shortlisted, a hard copy with a signature will be required at a later date.
* CDHN accepts no responsibility for checking or notifying candidates if forms are unreadable or incomplete for technical reasons.
* Applications stored on personal online storage sites will not be accepted.
* Please ensure that the original format of the application form is always retained.
* CVs will not be considered.
* The successful candidate will be required to produce official original proof of any qualifications supporting the application.

If you have a disability or your first language is not English and you have difficulty with any aspect of our recruitment and selection process, please contact us on 028 3026 4606.

*CDHN is an equal opportunities employer and welcomes applications from all sections of the community.*

**JOB TITLE: Research and Engagement Officer**

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| 1. General Information |
| Surname: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms: Forename(s):Address:Postcode: Email:Telephone Number: Mobile: National Insurance Number:  |

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| 2. Education after 11 years of age |
| Type of school, college of further education or university attended (please do not state name of secondary level school attended) | Dates of attendance |
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| 3. Qualifications |
| Particulars of qualifications obtained (GCSE, GCE, CSE, RSA/OCR, NVQ, HNC/HND, Degree). Please state marks, grade or level of qualification as this may be used in shortlisting. |
| Year | Examining Body | Level of Qualification obtained | Subject | Marks/Grade |
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| 4. Professional Qualifications Obtained |
| Title of Qualification | Date of Award |
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| 5. Membership of Professional Bodies |
| Title of Professional Body | Date of Registration |
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| 6. Education or Professional Studies in Progress |
| Nature of Studies | Duration of Studies |
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| 7. Details of Present Employment |
| Name & Address of present employer | Date Commenced (dd/mm/yyyy) | Position(s) held  | Salary or Scale |
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| 8. Details of Previous Employment (including any employment breaks) |
| Name & Address of previous employer(s) | Date Commenced and Finished (dd/mm/yyyy) | Position(s) held  | Salary or Scale |
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| 9. Applicants are required to demonstrate specific experience, skills and knowledge by way of personal and specific example. Using the job description and personnel specification, please outline how your experience and knowledge would equip you for this post. |

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| **Demonstrated interpersonal and team working skills with the ability to effectively engage and build strong relationships with people from a diverse range of communities and other stakeholders** |
| **A strong understanding of qualitative research methodologies and demonstrated skills in undertaking qualitative and quantitative data collection and analysis**  |
| **Good organisational skills, including working individually to manage and prioritise a busy workload with good attention to detail including experience of planning and organising meetings, events/workshops**  |
| **Demonstrated skills in reviewing and interpreting data, a high standard of report writing and experience of communicating complex information clearly and effectively to a wide range of audiences.**  |
| **A good understanding of the community and voluntary sector and a commitment to equality and the values and ethos of CDHN** |
| **Strong IT skills including sound knowledge of Microsoft Office as well as the ability to learn new systems. Max 200 words** |

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| 10. Applicants are asked to confirm that they have a full, current driving licence which entitles the holder to drive in NI and have use of a vehicle for official purposes **OR** have access to a form of transport that will enable the candidate to meet the requirement of the post in full and be willing to travel across NI. |
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| 11. When there are large number of applicants, candidates may also be shortlisted using enhanced or desirable criteria and applicants should show in the box below where they meet desirable criteria from the person specification. |
| **A post graduate qualification in a relevant discipline, e.g., research methods, sociology/ social policy.**Max 200 words |
| **Experience of participatory research methodologies.**Max 300 words |
| **Knowledge of community capacity building and community development approaches.**Max 300 words |
| **Knowledge of the social determinants of health and how these impact vulnerable groups.**Max 300 words |
| **CRM/Database management or similar systems.**Max 300 words |

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| 12. Give details of any relevant skills, expertise and abilities gained through voluntary work or in the home. |
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| 13. Give details of training which may have relevance to this position. |
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| 14. Give details of notice required to terminate present position. |
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| 15. If successful, when would you be able to take up this position? |
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17. Are you required to have a work permit? Yes ¨ No ¨

 If yes, do you have a work permit? Yes ¨ No ¨

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| 16. References |
| Please give the names, addresses and occupations of two persons not related to you. One of the referees must be either your current or previous employer and both should be able to comment on your ability to carry out the particular tasks of the job. If you do not wish us to contact your present employer, please provide your most recent previous employer. |
| Name:Organisation and Job title:Address (including post code):Contact telephone number:Email address: |
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I certify that the above information is correct and understand that any false or misleading information, if proved, may result in no further action being taken on this application, or, if appointed, dismissal from the service of CDHN.

**Signed: Date:**

**Please return your completed application form, along with your Equality Monitoring Form (separate) and Convictions Disclosure Form (below) to:** **marionohare@cdhn.org**

**No later than: 10 November 2021 (12pm)**

**Unprejudiced consideration will be given to candidates who declare criminal conviction(s).**

Do you have or have you ever had any convictions, cautions, or bind over orders in relation to any offence of any kind, which are to date unspent?

Please write ‘Yes’ or ‘No’\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Do Not leave blank)

Note: Custodial sentences of over 30 months can never become spent.

IF YOU ANSWERED ‘YES’, PLEASE GIVE FULL DETAILS OF THE CONVICTION INCLUDING THE NATURE OF THE CONVICTION, DATE OF CONVICTION AND SENTENCE IMPOSED.

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Note: that under the 1979 Rehabilitation of Offenders (Exceptions) Order, as amended by the 1987 Amended Order, an applicant must disclose information about current and spent conviction if the post involves access to the young, the old, the mentally or physically disabled or the chronic sick.

If you are successful in this application, it may be necessary for a check of criminal records to be carried out before appointment can be confirmed. By signing this application for employment, you are agreeing to this check.