

Employer Engagement

We work closely with local employers to create job opportunities for people we support before jobs are publicly advertised. We offer employers mental health awareness training and advice and suggestions about how they can support their workforces mental health.

About Live Well Kent and Medway

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East Kent IPS Employment Service

Employment support for people with mental health needs in Thanet, Folkestone, Hythe











What we do

A free employment support service for people with mental health needs who live in the East Kent areas of Thanet, Folkestone, Hythe and Romney Marsh.

What is IPS Employment support?

IPS Employment support helps people with any kind of mental illness to find and sustain paid employment. We do not provide support to access volunteering or training.

The support is rapid with job searching starting within four weeks, even if a person has been off work for years.

The support is individualised, personcentred, trauma-informed and time unlimited.

About us

We provide support in person or via telephone, video calls, email and text.

Our service is available Monday to Friday (9.00am to 5.00pm).

We accept referrals from other organisations and we also accept self-referrals from people who want to contact us directly.

1-2-1 Support

The first few sessions will involve us creating a vocational profile with you, looking at employment history, job preferences and strengths and skills. This will lead to a vocational action plan.

Support will then include:

- Support to create targeted CV's
- Support to complete application forms and cover letters
- Support with job searching and registering with jobsites or agencies
- Benefit support and better off in work calculations
- Interview techniques and mock interview practice
- Support to discuss your mental health or gaps in your CV with employers
- Support to access permitted work while retaining benefits

- Support to apply for Access to Work funding
- Support to create a Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) focussed on the workplace
- Support for the transition into the workplace including managing day one and ongoing activities
- Support with managing travel and social demands of being in work
- In work wellbeing support
- Signposting to other organisations to help you in other areas of your life



If you or someone you know is looking for paid employment and would benefit from our employment support service, please give us a call or email using the details overleaf - we'd love to hear from you!

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