

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE	Freelance Form F and PAR S Assessor
OFFICE LOCATION	111 Oxfangs Road North, Oxfangs, Edinburgh EH14 1 ED
JOB LOCATION	Home Working with Visits to applicants/referees
ACCOUNTABLE TO	Practice Manager
SALARY	£2,100 for completed Home Study, £26 an hour for Family Finding (plus reasonable expenses)

Job Purpose

We are looking for experienced Social Workers/Senior Practitioners to carry out assessments of prospective foster families and adoptive families who will care for children and young people unable to live with their birth family.

In addition to preparing and assessing prospective adopters/foster carers; you will be involved in linking and matching of children and young people to prospective adoptive parents and supporting families up until the adoption order is granted.

Safeguarding outcomes for fostered and adopted children will be at the heart of your practice. As a self-employed worker with Scottish Adoption and Fostering (SAF) you will be part of our fantastic team of professionals working in a child centred way to create the best outcomes.

For an informal chat about the role please contact Polly Cowan polly@scottishadoption.org or Vickie Foster vfoster@scottishadoption.org

Core Tasks and Responsibilities ALL APPLICANTS

- Assess, train, support prospective foster carers and adoptive parents in the timescales agreed.
- Visit referees as required (virtual visits and in person).
- Participate in supervision with the Practice Manager and provide them with regular written and verbal updates of the draft assessment.
- Liaise with our administrative team concerning the progress of administrative checks and references.
- Present assessments to the Panel and provide support to the applicants through this process.
- Immediately report any child safeguarding matter or concerns to a manager and any relevant local authority.
- Support prospective adoptive families in family finding including accessing Linkmaker and attending adoption exchange days or activity days as necessary.
- Work in close partnership and collaboration with agency colleagues and those within the wider statutory and voluntary sector to identify the resources necessary to support and sustain families in their caring role.
- Work within the laid down policies and procedures of SAF.

Pre-employment checks will be required for the role