



The Beacon

The news update from Crimson Hill Support

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Hi everyone, As always our summer weather is interesting this year ... who knows what it will be like for the rest of the holiday period.



We have had heat waves, floods, gale force winds, and spectacular thunder lightening we have had it all! Yet all of you have been amazing in making sure that you do not let the weather stop you doing the support. Whilst those of you whom we support have been equally great when staff have been late due to road closures and traffic problems linked to the weather. I wanted to say a huge thank you to all of you have helped out with some of the emergency support we have done over the last few weeks, and to those of you let us change your shifts around to cover gaps created by the extra support.

Thanks Fliss

Congratulations

Bob Jones has completed his Diploma level 3,

Laura Wright has completed her level 2 Certificate in Understanding Working with People with Mental Health Needs.

Jason McFaulds has completed his level 2 Certificate in End of Life Care.

Policies and Procedures CD

If you have not already signed for a new copy, then please remind your Team Leader that you need one, and ask them to get you one.

Timesheets

It is great that far more of you are remembering to hand in your timesheets, but just a little reminder make sure they are handed in after the last day of the month as otherwise they may be wrong. The more accurate they are the more accurate your pay will be, so please try and make sure that they are correct and filled in as you go. When you hand over to another member of staff or leave a shift, get the service user, parent or colleague to sign them as well. Thanks Ruth

Important Dates

Pay day for August Thursday 31st 2017. Expenses claims to office by Monday 4th September 2017, If mileage claims are later than this, there may well be delay in paying. So please make sure you send the expense sheets in with your time sheet.
Thanks.

Articles Summary

In the most recent Mental Health Practice Journal, there are two articles which could be useful for many of you.

The first is about a tool to help those with a Borderline Personality Disorder, and the second is about Positive Risk Taking.

If you would like a copy of either or both of these articles then please give Fliss a call or text and she will send them out to you.

Vroom Vroom.....We have a New Driver



Tony is our new driver, he starts work on the 9th August, so if he is giving you a lift please make him welcome. He is from Bridgwater, and has two grown up children. He enjoys fishing, kayaking, and cycling.