



Gymnastics Northern Ireland Regional Welfare Officer Vacancy

Due to a recent retirement the role of Regional Welfare Officer has become available. Acting as a point of contact for club Designated Welfare Officers this exciting role involves;

- Assist the Region and technical committees to put in place policies and implementation plans for safeguarding and promoting welfare of young people.
- Ensure that technical committees and event organisers are aware of the requirement to have a nominated welfare officer at all regional events (This person must be contactable at all times throughout the event. An appropriately trained welfare officer must accompany any trips that involve an over-night stay. This role may be taken on by an one of the existing staff/volunteers, providing they have completed the required training).
- Offer advice and support clubs in relation to safeguarding issues
- Ensure that all incidents are correctly reported and referred out in accordance with BG guidelines
- Help ensure adequate provision of BG/Child Protection in Sport Unit (CPSU) safeguarding training courses
- Deliver (following training) or attend Regional based courses for Club level Time to Listen module
- Ensure that BG procedures for recruitment of staff and volunteers are followed and all appropriate existing Regional staff or volunteers have up-to-date CRB disclosures
- Maintain local contact details for Children's Social Care Services, the Police and Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCB)
- Ensure that codes of conduct are in place at Regional events for staff, and volunteers, young people and parents
- Sit on Regional management committee to advise on safeguarding issues
- Ensure confidentiality is maintained and information is only shared on a 'need to know' basis

Core Skills

- Basic administration and record maintenance
- Child-centred approach and implementation plan across the Region
- Communication skills
- Confidence in relation to referring cases externally
- Ability to ensure policy and procedures are effectively implemented
- Ability to influence key people and ensure ownership of policy and implementation plans across the Region

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Training Requirements

- BG Safeguarding and Protecting Children Awareness Module or equivalent (Sport NI, scUK, LSCB training or recognised training within another NGB)
- NSPCC CPSU Time to Listen training for designated persons for child protection/welfare in sport (Sport NI Designated Officer Training) (Regional Level)

Optional: -

- Tutor training to deliver BG CP modules and Child Protection in Sport "Time to Listen" Club Level Module (if appropriate prior knowledge and experience)

The above courses are 3-hour training modules that are essential for welfare officers. The additional courses are additional recommended training:

- BG Club Management Awareness Module (includes equality training)
- A Club for All (Equality training)

To discuss this exciting opportunity further and apply please contact:

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