Family Action’s Perinatal Support Service is an early intervention, low intensity service for those with mild to moderate perinatal mental health issues or those who are at risk of developing mental health issues during the perinatal period. You will support the Perinatal Support coordinator in delivering the service across Northampton.

The programme, ‘Flourishing Babies’, funded by the Big Lottery Fund will be run in partnership by Family Action, local family therapy charity NorPIP and Before Baby which is run by social enterprise Engage Antenatal C.I.C. and aims to generate better outcomes for 300 vulnerable babies and families across the area over the next three years.

You will help the Perinatal Support Co-ordinator to manage referrals to the service and signpost as appropriate, assisting ‘parents to be’ and new parents to access universal services. You will help to facilitate drop in and one to one support, and to provide group support. This will involve carrying out assessments, and matching trained befrienders to ‘parents to be’ and new parents.

You will have a qualification in social care, Early Years, or health at Level 3 or above. You will have an understanding of infant-parent attachment, and how mental health issues can affect family relationships, and of safeguarding issues. You will have excellent assessment and communications skills, and be able to plan and deliver an agreed programme of support. You will also have experience of training and supervising volunteers. You must have access to a vehicle for business purposes and be able to travel frequently, sometimes at short notice, across Northampton.

Appointments are subject to Family Action receiving an enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service which we consider acceptable.

For an application pack and further information, please visit www.family-action.org.uk/workingwithus

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Closing date: 24 October 2017, 09:00
Interviews: week beginning 30 October 2017