



**Child and Family Play and Learning Worker, Cumbria's 0-19 Child & Family Support Service  
Based in Copeland**

**37 hours per week (full-time)**

**Grade 2 (lower) point 11-15: £20,375- £23,038 per annum**

**Fixed-term contract - 1 year**

**Are you a self-motivated, innovative team player, who is solution focused and passionate about making a difference? Do you have an excellent track record of retaining and delivering excellent operational services? If so, we want to hear from you.**

At Family Action we transform lives by providing practical, emotional and financial support to those who are experiencing poverty, disadvantage and social isolation. We have been building stronger families since 1869 and today we work with more than 60,000 families in over 150 community based services, as well as supporting thousands more through national programmes and grants.

We are looking for a motivated, passionate and experienced individual with an impressive track record of delivering high quality 1 to 1 and group services to meet the needs of local communities. You will strive for excellent standards, robustly ensuring a quality, outcomes-driven and accessible service.

### **Your impact**

You will share and embrace Cumbria's vision of 'A great place to grow up and for children and young people to have the opportunity to become everything they want to be', by:

- Assisting the Child and Family Support Workers to provide appropriate practical and emotional support to children, young people and their families, through a mixed programme of home visiting, support groups and structured learning sessions delivered within local centres, family homes and the wider community
- Using restorative practice, which will embed a strengths-based approach, engaging and enabling children, young people and families to achieve their goals at an early stage of need, responsible for Level's one and two of a three-tier delivery model approach (Levels 1-3: Getting advice, getting help, getting more help)

### **Your skills**

You will have a Level 3 Qualification in childcare/child development, health & social care, counselling or other related professional qualification and demonstrable experience of working with children, young people and their families including delivery of group work.

You will have good assessment skills, with the ability to produce effective outcome- focused plans and ability to evidence impact and outcomes from 1:1 and group work.

You will have an excellent understanding of the impact of discrimination and social exclusion on the lives of children and families and how this can be addressed through service provision as well as employment and volunteering opportunities.

The post will involve working across the Copeland locality. You must have access to a vehicle for business purposes and be able to travel frequently, with the expectation you will work collaboratively with Family Action & key delivery partners across the locality.

We are committed to Equality, Diversity & Inclusion in all that we do and welcome applications from all sections of the community. We particularly welcome applications from Black, Asian and minority ethnic candidates, LGBTQIA+ candidates and candidates with disabilities because we are committed to increasing the representation of these groups at Family Action. We know that greater diversity will lead to even greater results for families and children and strive for our workforce to be truly representative of the diverse communities we support. We offer a guaranteed interview scheme for disabled applicants and will reimburse your travel cost if you attend an interview.

### **What will we offer you?**

We'll offer you a generous pension scheme and leave entitlements, eye care vouchers, a cycle to work scheme and other great benefits. All roles in Family Action are open to a discussion about possible flexible working options, subject to business needs, and all new starters will have the right to make a flexible working request from day one of employment. We have an excellent wellbeing offer and we will invest in your professional development with ongoing quality training and career development opportunities. You'll join an established, supportive and high-performing service and have the opportunity to thrive in an innovative organisation that values your opinion, encourages learning and has the needs of children and families at its core.

We are forward looking, ambitious and committed to continuous improvement. We are a **people focused, can-do** organisation, which strives for **excellence** in all we do and operates with **mutual respect**. If you share these values and behaviours and have the necessary skills then we look forward to hearing from you.

**For an application pack and further information please visit:**

[www.family-action.org.uk/get-involved/work-us/current-vacancies/](http://www.family-action.org.uk/get-involved/work-us/current-vacancies/)

**Please email completed applications to:** [completed.application8@family-action.org.uk](mailto:completed.application8@family-action.org.uk)

**Closing date:** Rolling

**Interview date:** TBC

Rolling deadline, applicants will be reviewed as/when they apply and will be closed when suitable candidates have been received. If you are interested, please make sure to apply asap to avoid missing out.

Appointments are subject to Family Action receiving a satisfactory disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service.

**ID: 379**