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MANAGING FACE TO FACE DELIVERY SAFELY...

Although there are national concerns about the rising number of Covid cases, face to face delivery continues to be a crucial element in developing young people and adults. We thought it would be useful to remind partners of the FE guidance available, to help us ensure staff and learners can work safely, and minimise the risk of transmission.

Here's the key DfE guidance **'Maintaining FE Provision from the start of the Autumn term'**, which covers the importance of updating your Covid Risk Assessment, How to Minimise Transmission, Process and help when dealing with Positive Covid cases in the 'Response to Infection' section, and contingency planning regarding the availability of virtual learning. The guidance does cover a DfE return re positive cases, this is for Colleges and Local Authorities only, not independent providers, however, if you do have a positive Covid case, please contact your HLC Contract Manager, detailing the actions you have taken. LINK

The following short DfE guidance covers **what to do if a student is showing symptoms of Covid** LINK;

HLC AWARDS CEREMONY – POSTPONED

We would like to thank everyone who took the time to nominate their learners for a HLC award, however due to the current situation we have taken the regrettable decision to postpone the event and until we receive further guidance we cannot say when it will take place.

We would like to recognise the learners you nominated for their hard work so we will be sending them a small gift and a message.

We will keep you updated on future developments and look forward to celebrating with you in the future.

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KICKSTART: CAN YOU HELP A YOUNG PERSON BY OFFERING A JOB PLACEMENT?

In response to growing youth unemployment, HLC is currently in the process of developing a Kickstart bid to DWP to provide 30+ job placements for young people aged 16-24 who live in the Humber area and are on Universal Credit.

Each 25-hour per week job placement is expected to last for 6 months and the relevant national minimum wage and national insurance costs are fully reimbursed by the government. Employers also receive a grant per placement to support on-boarding, training and in-work support costs. More information can be found here **LINK**:

We would very much like to work in partnership with our existing delivery partners to collate and offer a total of at least 30 job placements across our network.

If you have a potential vacancy and are interested in taking part in the Kickstart scheme with HLC, please contact andy.crossland@hlc-vol.org by Friday 23rd October.

PADD
UNLOCKING YOUR FUTURE

INSIGHT INTO PADD... HOW IT'S HELPING YOUNG DISABLED PEOPLE GAIN VALUABLE EXPERIENCE BY PARTICIPANT SCOTT....

People's Awareness of Disability Discrimination (PADD) is part of the This-Ability project, which seeks to help young disabled people aged between 18 and 29 into employment helping them with job skills and preparing them for the world of work using an employability passport. LINK

I joined PADD in early 2019 following a recommendation from Mencap. I have taken part in an 'Opportunities for You' event last November which was an information day we held at the Hilton Hotel.

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"MY AMBITION NOW IS TO USE THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE I'VE GAINED TO MOVE INTO A MENTORING ROLE TO HELP OTHERS"

I have also taken part in co-producing and delivering a disability awareness training package for employers with three other members of PADD and our mentor Dawn who helped us put it together.

I have built up some great skills through volunteering. I was very nervous about presenting in front of an audience, but the more I got involved, the more confident I became, and my communication skills improved no end.

Being involved in events has also helped me get on with a wide variety of people. I have shown that I am reliable and dependable by attending regular meetings and turning up on time. I am always keen to learn new skills and have discovered my creative side by coming up with suggestions for training activities.

I have progressed in my role with HKR Community Trust to supporting people who are looking for employment with their job-searching. I am very enthusiastic and motivated to continue and develop within my volunteer roles. My next project is to raise the social media profile of This-Ability and improve my IT skills.

I thoroughly enjoy being part of a team and the sense of community that it brings. It's great to feel that I really fit in. My ambition is to use the skills and knowledge I have built up through volunteering to move into a supportive or mentoring role with people. ”

For more information on the Disability Awareness training please contact dawn.binns@hlc-vol.org.

Scott also works with Disability Rights UK, for more information on them please visit LINK

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