



Paid to Train Vacancy

Children and Young People Psychological Therapies (CYPPT) – Trainee Practitioner - Parent-Infant Pathway - 1 post available.

Venus has an exciting opportunity for successful candidates to gain post graduate qualification in evidence-based psychotherapies for children and young people.

Venus is a Sefton-based charity that provides support to our local community, families, and individuals. As part of the charity and based at the Star Centre, we offer support and therapeutic interventions specifically for children, young people and their families.

The Trainee Infant/Early Years Practitioner post will help develop key skills required to be an evidence-based practitioner working with parents and children (0-5 years), gaining accreditation in Video Interaction Guidance (VIG) to support parent-child attachment, addressing parental mental difficulties and wider systemic factors.

The course will provide model specific supervision in VIG as well as teaching on both VIG skills-based workshops and evidence-based theory and literature relating to supporting the emotional wellbeing and mental health of 0-2s and their parents/carers.

Qualification:

Successful candidates will follow a Postgraduate Diploma structure, consisting of:

- Early Years Knowledge, Theory and Frameworks
- Early Years Assessment and Formulation
- Evidence Based Interventions

Successful students will gain a Postgraduate Diploma (PGDip) in Evidence Based Treatments in Working with 0-5's obtaining clinical experience in Video Interaction Guidance (VIG) as an attachment-based intervention when working with infants and children aged 0-5 years and their parents/carers.

Applicants need to be able to start the Post Graduate training programme taught academic dates in January 2027 (dates to be confirmed) and commit to attendance at all University based taught and self-study days required by Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust (GMMH) Psychological Therapies Training Centre.

Training Commitment

Full time training commitment, integrating academic learning with clinical practice:

1.5 days per week: Teaching and academic learning

0.5 days per week: Supervision and case discussions

3 days per week: Clinical practice within the practitioner's service

Contract Information

Job Title: Post Graduate Diploma CYPPT Infant/Early Years Trainee Practitioner

Contract: 12 months fixed term (extension funding dependant)

Hours: 35 hours per week

Salary: £27392 pa

To apply:

Applicants should have:

- experience working with infants, young children and families (evidenced either by 2 years of experience in a relevant core profession or 4 years of relevant experience in early years, child development or family support as evidenced via Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes (KSA) portfolio).
- an undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification (level 6) or the ability to evidence through an essay that you can work at a postgraduate level. The BABCP website provides an example of KSA requirements at <https://babcp.com/Knowledge-Skills-Attitudes>.

To apply for the post, [click here](#) to download an application pack or request one by email to recruitment@venuscharity.org quoting **VIG27**

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Closing Date: 0

Interviews: 0

Start Date: January 2026 – date to be confirmed.