

# Adult Dyslexia Centre

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## OPPORTUNITY TO PARTNER WITH THE ADULT DYSLEXIA CENTRE

**About the charity:** The Adult Dyslexia Centre is a charity that has been supporting dyslexic adults in the Thames Valley since 2003 from its base in Maidenhead, Berkshire. We support dyslexic adults by advising, developing skills and confidence, thus connecting them to further opportunities. For more information visit our website ([www.ADC.org.uk](http://www.ADC.org.uk)).

### Opportunity

The Adult Dyslexia Centre (Thames Valley) wishes to expand its network of Dyslexia professionals. As a charity we are a Local Dyslexia Association affiliated to the BDA. We work in partnership with a number of self-employed contractors who provide our front-line services. We would like to meet professionals who want to provide a range of services for dyslexic people including some of the following:

- A Full Diagnostic Assessment Service from ages 7+ to adults in the workplace or for DSA applications,
- dyslexia screening services (online and face-to-face),
- Dyslexia Awareness Training for organisations,
- Information, Advice and Guidance for adults with an existing dyslexia/SpLD diagnosis,
- English for Dyslexic Adults classes onsite or blended learning (non-accredited and including employability skills),
- 121 tuition for adults with Basic Skills needs,
- online courses for parents of children with dyslexia.

We find that the self-employed structure introduces a lot of flexibility and helps us match services to the skills and experience of tutors and assessors, the needs of our clients and opportunities for funding. In that context we would be more than willing to discuss any proposals you may have to expand upon the ideas listed above.

ADC operates a helpline which identifies the needs of clients and steers them towards the services on offer. Our premises in Maidenhead are COVID-19 secure and open for business but we are also open to home-working and online working opportunities where these match the client's needs and professional requirements.

### Projects

Successful contractors may help us deliver existing projects, but we are also excited to work with you to develop new ideas and projects. The terms of engagement for each project will

be negotiated depending on the level of effort required to set-up and deliver each project, other costs including accommodation and materials (where relevant) and the availability of funding.

### **Qualifications and Experience**

We are seeking someone who has empathy for adults with dyslexia/SpLD and able to work in a team.

The applicant(s) will be educated to degree level and have a recognised dyslexia qualification, to Level 5 at least, for working with adults (or considerable experience of working with adult clients if the original qualification was for a different age group) and is likely to have taught in an FE or Adult Basic Skills environment. They should be confident in advising on dyslexia as it impacts adults in the workplace and in working with a wide client group.

Additionally, they should be a member of one of the main professional dyslexia organisations; show evidence of extensive CPD (e.g. an APC or TPC); have professional indemnity insurance; be registered with the ICO; maintain an online DBS check and demonstrate that they are self-employed.

### **Trustees**

We are seeking a dyslexia professional to join the Board of Trustees. The trustees are responsible for what the charity does and how it spends its money. They ensure both are directed towards the stated objectives of the charity. We currently have a Board of seven trustees with varying personal experience of dyslexia and we feel the board would greatly benefit from the addition of a trustee with professional experience of teaching dyslexic people.

Trustees may work as volunteers, but they cannot provide paid services or benefit from the charity in any other way.

### **Contact us**

If you would like to discuss this opportunity, please contact our Chairman, Brian Little, at [Chair@adc.org.uk](mailto:Chair@adc.org.uk).