

Expression of Interest

Providing a Co-ordinating and Supporting Role to Ensure that Lived Experience is fully embedded within Living Well (a process of improving community mental health support).

Living Well Manchester is looking to commission an organisation to support the development of mental health lived experience in the development of our Living Well Model/Community Mental Health Transformation.

What is Living Well Manchester?

Briefly, Living Well/Community Mental Health Transformation is part of a long-term plan to improve mental health services – find out more [here](#)

Who is involved in Living Well Manchester?

Currently our collaborative includes Greater Manchester Mental Health Trust, NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care, Leaders from local Voluntary and Community Sector organisations, Primary Care, Public Health and more recently a person with lived experience. This group may get bigger over time. There are also three smaller collaboratives who will work with communities in North, South and Central Manchester.

What We Need

Developing a Living Well Model in Manchester needs lived experience at the centre – to help inform, plan, design and deliver services. Working with Primary Care, Voluntary and Community Sector Services and Secondary Care services, Lived Experience will be a crucial partner in the collaborative approach, which we are hoping enables more responsive and accessible services.

We want to hear from you if you have experience and capacity to;

Help recruit and support people with lived experience to help facilitate our three community collaboratives, which will be crucial in informing the development of Living Well.

We know that some people find attending meetings stressful so we would like you to provide support to the people who give their time and experience.

Manage payments for people who are giving up their time to contribute (we have a paper that underpins our commitment to payment)

Help conduct ethnographic research – so people's voices are kept at the centre of our decision making.

This is not an exclusive list – there are some things here such as supporting the collaboratives and helping manage payments that are must dos, but we want to hear also if you have other ideas of things you have done in the past to embed lived experience into both a planning, delivery, and evaluation process.

We know there are many ways this work can be done, and we are interested in **hearing how you would support us with this work.**

Our budget is £50,000 for 12 months; however, this is subject to approval at the GMMH (Greater Manchester Mental Health) Strategic Development Group following the responses received.

What we need

An Expression of Interest covering:

- Organisational Details
- How your organisation currently works in Manchester
- Why involving lived experience is important to you and examples of past delivery, outcomes, and impact
- How you would approach this work. Please provide an outline of the proposed service model
- How would you deliver this work and what capacity you have – please include here how you would staff the project and what systems you have in place for making payments to lived experience representatives.
- What are the risks to this work – please provide an example risk log.
- What training and support would you provide to people with lived experience to ensure people are able to develop in their role(s)
- Anything else you feel important to tell us, **including a breakdown of your budget**

Next Steps

Send your Expression of Interest to;

Candice.french@gmmh.nhs.uk (representing the Manchester Living Well Collaborative)
by 10am on 16th September 2022

We will then get together and read EOIs (Expressions of Interest) and short-list. We will be in touch to let you know the outcome. This could be an invite to an informal interview with members of the collaborative.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and your Expression of Interest – we really appreciate it.