

## NATIONAL COLLABORATING CENTRE FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Role	Expert Reference Group Member: Manual for Mental Health Support Teams in Schools
Centre	National Collaborating Centre for Mental Health (NCCMH) at the Royal College of Psychiatrists

The NCCMH would like to hear from the following:

- Carers
- Experts by experience
- Commissioners
- Voluntary sector staff involved in the delivery of mental health care or education
- Social care professionals
- Educational psychologists
- Educational professionals in special educations needs
- School nurses
- GP
- Public Health professionals
- Teachers
- Clinical Psychologists
- Child Psychiatrists

## **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

Summary	To assist and support the NCCMH team in developing a manual to support the implementation of Mental Health Support Teams (MHST). The manual will be designed to provide guidance and clarity about the functions of MHSTs, the wider environment required for success, and key
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	elements of engagement with children and young people, families and carers, and schools and colleges to support implementation of the new service.
Responsibilities	<ul> <li>Set aside enough time to attend 2 meetings and use personal and professional knowledge to inform the development of the guidance and supporting implementation tools.</li> <li>Take responsibility for certain aspects of the guidance</li> <li>Develop the manual collaboratively based on current evidence and in light of relevant legislation</li> <li>Support the NCCMH team in the development of guidance and all supporting documents where required, including contributing to writing the guidance</li> <li>Contribute positively to the work of the group and to developing the implementation guidance and supporting tools</li> </ul>
Conditions	Project completion expected to be March 2019.  Attendance of 2 meetings within this time, the following have been scheduled provisionally and will be confirmed as soon as possible:  - 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2019  - 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2019

## **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

	Essential Criteria
Extent and nature of committee experience	An understanding of the social, political, economic and professional influences on the NHS.
	Credible level of experience of expert committee work in a relevant setting.
Ability to contribute to the work of the advisory body	Experience in health or social care (as appropriate) care either as a practicing health or social care professional or working in or in association with the wider aspects of health or social care or the health care industries, or through engagement in or with health or social care as a patient, member of the public, user, carer or as an advocate.
Ability to	Ability to gather data, analyse, critique and synthesise
understand	complex information, as evidenced by relevant experience

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and interpret multiple complex data sets	and/or academic qualifications.
Nature of the motivation underpinning the application	Clearly and persuasively stated reasoning for making an application.
Equality and diversity	Commitment to eliminating unlawful discrimination, advancing equality and an understanding or awareness of the issues of inequality in health, public health and social care settings.