



Connemara Therapeutic Riding CLG is a Social Enterprise providing a community-based Therapeutic Riding (TR) Service for children and adults with physical, sensory and intellectual disabilities in a remote rural setting in the west of Ireland while promoting the indigenous Connemara Pony as an ideal equine for this therapy. We are now recruiting for a full time Equine and Sessions Co-ordinator.

**Job Title:** Equine and Sessions Co-ordinator (CSP Funded) Full Time

**Location:** Errislannan Manor, Errislannan, Clifden, Co. Galway

**Reporting to:** CTR Manager

**Main Purpose:** To work with the Manager, Coaches and Volunteers to deliver Therapeutic Riding Sessions to children and adults with a disability and oversee the day to day running of the centre.

**Job Description:**

The delivery of Therapeutic Riding sessions to children and adults with special needs

Supervision of coaches and volunteers

Assist with leading and sidewalking when necessary

Planning of Therapeutic Riding sessions

Scheduling initial session to discuss goals/ needs with family

Maintaining records of clients progress and attendance and completing reports on Therapeutic Riding sessions

Care, exercise and schooling of ponies including assessing and creating training plans for new ponies

Management of the stable yard

Care of tack and equipment

Assisting Manager in other relevant tasks

This job description is not exhaustive and other duties may be assigned from time to time in accordance with the needs of the service.



**Person Specification:**

*The person appointed to this role will ideally meet the following requirements:*

Be an Accredited Therapeutic Riding Coach or be willing to train as a Therapeutic Riding Coach

Have a strong disability awareness and understand the needs of individuals of varying abilities

Previous experience working in an equestrian yard preferably in a supervisory role. A BHS, HSI or other relevant equine qualification will be considered an advantage.

Have a willingness to learn and be committed to ongoing training

Work well as part of a team

Have excellent organisational and time management skills

**Selection Process:**

Candidates will be shortlisted. An interview process will then take place.

**Conditions of Employment:**

**Hours:** 39.00 hours per week – these hours will be discussed at a later stage. May involve weekend work

**Annual Leave:** Annual leave will be 20 working days exclusive of public holidays (pro rata).

**Duration of contract:** One year initially which may be extended subject to performance and the continuation of Community Services Programme funding.

**Salary:** The salary will be €22,308 per annum.

**How To Apply:**

Closing Date for Applications: 4pm on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

A CV and cover letter should be emailed to [connemaratr@gmail.com](mailto:connemaratr@gmail.com) or sent by post to Niamh Philbin, Connemara Therapeutic Riding CLG, Ellis Hall, Letterfrack, Co. Galway.

*Please note: only candidates who submit the relevant application in accordance with the deadline date as stated above will be processed. Only applications fulfilling the criteria as set down by Pobal <https://www.pobal.ie/programmes/community-services-programme-csp/> will be considered.*