

# CLINICAL VACANCY

## at MindSenseAbility

We have an exciting opportunity for an

**Assistant Psychologist**

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Are you an experienced or budding Assistant Psychologist looking to develop your skills in a specialist SEND setting, gain experience towards DClinPsy training and make a meaningful difference to young people's lives?

MindSenseAbility is a specialist therapeutic education service for young people whose needs have not been met in traditional settings. Through a bespoke, multi-disciplinary approach, we combine education, therapy and family support to re-engage learners and enable successful transitions into education, training and adulthood.

We are looking for a compassionate, curious and psychologically minded Assistant Psychologist to join our existing Alternative Provision service as well as our recently opened independent special school, East Street Farm, set in the heart of the New Forest.

We support young people aged 8–25 with complex SEND, including autism, Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA), and associated mental health needs, including developmental trauma.

You will work alongside an experienced multidisciplinary team of Clinical Psychologists, Occupational Therapists, Speech and Language Therapists, a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist and specialist education staff. With weekly supervision from a qualified Clinical Psychologist, you will have the opportunity to develop your practice while helping shape our growing psychology provision.




**Nurturing Belonging** – creating safe, inclusive environments where every young person feels valued

**Supporting Growth** – enabling progress through personalised, high-quality provision

**Inspiring Change** – fostering resilience, independence and positive futures

## THE ROLE

You will contribute to:

- Psychological assessment, observation and formulation
- Individual and group interventions (where indicated)
- Staff consultation, training and psychoeducation
- Trauma-informed and neurodiversity-affirming practice
- Emotional wellbeing and regulation support
- Multidisciplinary working, research and service evaluation
- Developing psychologically informed approaches across the service
- Working across the school, The Hub and community settings, depending on each young person's needs – so you will need to be able to travel between sites

As an Assistant Psychologist, you will also help coordinate psychology projects and support the development of colleagues and wider practice.

**Full job description available on the website: https://mindsenseability.co.uk/east-street-farm/esf-vacancies/**

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE WHO

- Has a Psychology degree (2:1 or above), or a BPS-accredited conversion course, giving eligibility for Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) with the BPS
- Has experience of working with children and young people with complex SEND and/or mental health needs
- Combines warmth and compassion, strong communication skills and sound psychological thinking with a reflective approach
- Will be confident applying psychological theory to practice, contributing to interventions and working collaboratively within a multidisciplinary team
- Has an interest in autism, developmental trauma, attachment, Positive Behaviour Support and neurodiversity-affirming practice
- Is dedicated, reflective, hardworking, flexible and enthusiastic, with a positive outlook
- Shares our commitment to understanding each young person as an individual and helping them reach their potential
- Has a full driving licence and access to a car

## WHAT WE OFFER

- A unique opportunity to work across different settings where psychological thinking and collaboration is valued
- A multidisciplinary environment, working with a skilled team of professionals from both clinical and educational backgrounds
- A values-driven organisation with a strong focus on wellbeing and staff support
- The opportunity to make a genuine, transformative impact on the lives of young people and their families
- Pension scheme and additional wellbeing benefits
- Continued Professional Development





# DETAILS

- **Contract Type / Hours of Work:** Permanent. Full time for 37.5 hours/week, 40 weeks/year (term time plus one week)
- **Salary Details:** Negotiable, dependent on experience. £24,137-£34,482 (Equivalent to FTE £28,000-£40,000) based on 37.5 hours per week

**We welcome the chance to show you around and give you the opportunity to find out more before applying.**

For further details or to arrange a visit, contact:
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For application forms and a copy of the job description, please email **recruitment@mindsenseability.co.uk** or see the vacancies page of our website
**www.mindsenseability.co.uk**

Completed applications and enquiries about the recruitment process should be sent to
**recruitment@mindsenseability.co.uk**

**All applicants must complete an MSA Application Form**

**Application Timeline:**

Closing Date for Completed Applications:
**Monday 16th November**

Interviews to take place:
**Tuesday 1st December**

MindSenseAbility is an equal opportunities employer and is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.
All successful candidates will be subject to Disclosure and Barring Service checks along with other relevant employment checks.

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