

Advanced Public Health Practitioner (Creative Health & Communities)

12-Month Maternity Cover (Full Time)

Grade: PO3

Public Health, Worcestershire County Council

Shape a healthier Worcestershire through creativity, communities and innovation

Are you passionate about reducing health inequalities, empowering communities and using creativity to improve health and wellbeing?

We are seeking an enthusiastic and experienced **Advanced Public Health Practitioner** to join our Adult Health Improvement Team on a **12-month maternity cover contract**. This is an exciting opportunity to lead and develop Worcestershire's growing **Creative Health** programme while supporting wider community development approaches that improve health outcomes and strengthen local resilience.

This role sits at the heart of a dynamic public health agenda that recognises the powerful contribution that creativity, culture and community action can make to improving mental wellbeing, reducing loneliness and social isolation, increasing community connectedness, and tackling health inequalities.

About the role

You will provide strategic leadership for Worcestershire's Creative Health programme, working across sectors to embed creative approaches within public health priorities and community wellbeing initiatives. The role will involve:

- Leading the development and delivery of a county-wide Creative Health programme.
- Managing and supporting a community-based Creative Health grants programme.
- Building strong partnerships across the arts, culture, voluntary, community, education and health sectors.
- Leading a cross-sector Creative Health Collaborative and influencing system-wide approaches to health and wellbeing.
- Supporting the development of community-led solutions that address local health priorities.
- Working with Priority Neighbourhoods and underserved communities to ensure opportunities reach those experiencing the greatest inequalities.
- Promoting evidence-based practice, monitoring and evaluation, and contributing to emerging creative health research.
- Developing innovative approaches to engaging residents and communities in improving health and wellbeing.

About you

We are looking for an experienced public health professional who can combine strategic thinking with practical delivery.

You will have:

- Experience of developing and delivering public health, wellbeing or community development programmes.
- A strong understanding of health inequalities and the wider determinants of health.
- Excellent partnership-building and stakeholder engagement skills.
- Experience of project management, programme development and evaluation.
- The ability to influence, inspire and work collaboratively across a wide range of sectors.
- Knowledge of asset-based community development, prevention and population health approaches.
- A passion for creativity, community empowerment and innovative approaches to improving health and wellbeing.

Experience of working with creative, cultural, voluntary or community organisations would be particularly welcomed.

Why join us?

This is an opportunity to play a leading role in a high-profile and rapidly developing area of public health practice. You will help shape how creative approaches are used to improve wellbeing, strengthen communities and address inequalities across Worcestershire.

You will join a supportive and forward-thinking Public Health team committed to prevention, partnership working and empowering communities to thrive.

If you are excited by the potential of creativity and community action to improve health outcomes and want to make a lasting difference for Worcestershire residents, we would love to hear from you.

Join us and help build healthier, more connected and more resilient communities across Worcestershire.