

## Cork City Partnership Ltd.



In association with the Cork College of Commerce



### Substance Use Issues in Youth & Community Work 2015/16 (QQI / FETAC Level 5 Minor)

The Substance Use Issues in Youth & Community Work is designed to promote good practice among those who work (paid / voluntary) with young people and communities who are affected and impacted by various issues. It provides a critical perspective on some of the issues which can affect young people and communities and encourages the development of coherent responses at individual and organisational level. The two components should promote the ability of learners to work safely and effectively in youth and / or community work settings. The programme also aims to provide the participants with the necessary knowledge and skills in sourcing and / or resourcing applicable supports systems, both within and outside their communities. **Graduates will receive a QQI /FETAC Level 5 Minor Award.**

**Course Modules: (1) Understanding Community Development** - The purpose of this award is to equip the learner with the knowledge, skill and ability to engage with the key ideas which underpin community development in Ireland. It will also outline the potential of community development to contribute to social change in relation to a range of issues e.g. poverty, equality, attitudes to substance misuse, immigration etc. This component will also look at some current challenges to community development's role as a process of social change in favour of the most marginalised. **(2) Substance Use Issues** - This component will examine attitudes towards substance use and misuse and explore the contexts which contribute to peoples' use of substances. It will also outline the developmental needs of young people during adolescence and explore a range of societal attitudes to young people and substance use in general. This component will also outline and identify different types of prevention / interventions strategies and explore various initiatives, responses and so on.

**Evaluation and Assessment:** A variety of continuous assessment models will be employed and at least 80% attendance at the course is essential.

**Venue:** Cork College of Commerce. **Duration:** This course will be offered on a part time basis over the academic year. \*(Sept—May). **Session:** Normally Tuesday evening 7 – 10 p.m **Fees:** €120 approx. (subject to change) - Cork City Partnership will cover the remaining fee for successful applicants

**Entry Requirements - Applicants must:**

- Send the relevant application form to Cork City Partnership
- Be aged 21 or over
- Attend a compulsory pre-entry information session
- Attend an interview in Cork City Partnership
- Have Leaving Certificate or its equivalent **and /or** relevant life and work experiences (Recognised Prior Learning)
- Applicants are expected to be active participants in the community in either a voluntary or work capacity
- Applicants should note in order to gain employment or volunteer in this sector Garda Vetting is mandatory

**For further information & application forms 2015/16 contact:**

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