

# Sharing excellence in social work and social care practice

a free one day conference brought to you by COMPASS

## Career Support Seminars

At the next COMPASS Jobs Fair there will be seminars to help you with your professional development and support you in the search for your next job.

### 10am: Finding social work employment in the current job market

Due to the economic downturn, traditional job roles and employment options have changed and this session will look at what opportunities are available for those who are newly qualified, yet to gain valuable experience or those who have been practicing but are seeing their roles within established teams changed.

The employment market is a new world and we will examine new job roles and specifications along with showing how to look for new types of employers.

### 11am: COMPASS Career Planning programme Essential points for your CV and application form

This seminar will take you through the process of perfecting the knowledge and information you will need when filling out application forms and preparing a covering letter to support your application.

### 12pm: Changes to social work regulation and how they will affect you

Calling all social workers and students: your registration is changing. Next year regulation of the social work profession will pass from the General Social Care Council (GSCC) to the Health Professions Council (HPC). If you want to know more about the changes and how they will affect you come along to the GSCC/HPC's seminar.

### 2pm: Advice for newly-qualified social workers looking for work

Newly-qualified social workers (NQSWs) in both 2010 and 2011 are reporting that it is difficult to find employment as a social worker. It is impossible to know the numbers of students not finding work. It is undoubtedly true that there is a problem. A number of universities report that the situation is very difficult, however some universities are saying that nearly all their students are getting jobs. BASW are meeting increasing numbers of NQSWs who are having real difficulty finding a job despite many applications. This seminar will give NQSWs an insight into what opportunities are available to them and how the current situation fits into their career pathway.

### 3pm: Standing out at interview

This seminar will give you tips on how to get you to interview, how to present yourself at interview and questions to ask your employer to ensure the job is the right one for you. This session will also cover what you should expect from a good employer.

**All visitors will receive a copy of COMPASS, the annual guide to social work and social care worth £14.95**

(The Career Support seminars form part of a larger seminar programme)

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This lively conference and exhibition brings you all elements of social work and social care under one roof.

Whether you are looking for a new job, want to update yourself on current issues, work with adults, children or young people, or if you are new to the sector – this is the event for you.

- Free seminar programme
- Free entry
- Large exhibition
- Career development

For the full seminar programme and to register for free tickets go to [www.compassjobsfair.com](http://www.compassjobsfair.com)  
Call us on 01892 784804 to participate in the conference and exhibition.

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