

Apply today and you could be...

A Memory Work Advisor at the Mangrove Support Group, China.

What's the context and purpose of the role?

In China the poor are becoming more vulnerable to the risks of HIV and AIDS because of a lack of access to education and information. The Mangrove Support Group (MSG) promotes HIV prevention, care and self-help and you'll work with them to introduce and adapt the principles of Memory Work to the Chinese concept. This is a crucial role as your hands-on experience of carrying out Memory Work in other countries will be vital to making it a success in China. You'll advise MSG in piloting Memory Work with 10 community-based support groups with the goal of supporting HIV+ mothers, their partners and children to build resilience to the present and future emotional, social and economic impacts of HIV & AIDS.

What does the role involve?

- Reviewing current status of the Memory Work project.
- Explain key aspects of Memory Work to the project team.
- Providing new ideas and suggestions for the project.
- Warning the team about potential risks and pitfalls and suggesting ways to overcome these.
- Assisting in the development of training materials.

What skills, experience and personal qualities are needed for the role?

You'll need at least 2 years' hands-on experience of Memory Work, with at least one year working as manager in a project. You'll have a history of reviewing and improving existing processes and have strong training and facilitation skills. Ideally you'll have experience of working with children and are able to work independently without close supervision.

It's essential that you're confident, flexible and proactive and that you show respect for and an ability to adapt to foreign cultures and customs. This will enable you to become included in the local community and gain the trust and respects of your colleagues.

And the rest...

You'll be based in Beijing where you'll live in a self-contained apartment with a kitchen, bathroom and bedroom. You'll find Beijing a fascinating city of contrasting cultures, languages and religions. Apart from the main attractions such as The Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square there is a lively cultural life with music, theatre and cinemas. From Beijing you are able to travel to other provinces, discovering the many aspects of this country.

We'll ask you to commit to 12 months to make a long-term contribution tackling poverty. In return, we'll provide you with invaluable training before your placement, a local salary, return flights, accommodation and insurance. When you return to your home country, we'll help you to resettle and we'll invite you to stay involved with us through campaigning, development awareness raising and fundraising.