



Job Description Traveller Child Health Development Workers (19.5 hours) (1 post)

Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre is looking for suitably qualified candidates to fill the position of Traveller Child Health Development Worker as part of a new and exciting Traveller Child Health Programme covering Dublin and the North East region. The Programme is part of the Traveller Brighter Beginnings Initiative under the National Traveller Health Action Plan.

Eastern Region Traveller Health Unit (ERTHU)

THUs are a valuable mechanism which prioritises and addresses Traveller health inequalities on behalf of HSE. THUs are the cornerstone of which health services are delivered effectively in partnership with Travellers and Traveller health issues are mainstreamed into general health policy and service provision. The Eastern Region THU was the first THU to be established and is co-ordinated by Pavee Point on behalf of the HSE and the THU work plan is implemented through regional THU initiatives and 8 Traveller organisations/PHCTPs and associated health initiatives operating across Dublin, Kildare and Wicklow at present.

This initiative will be co-ordinated by the ER THU and will focus specifically in the Dublin and North East region (Dublin North, Cavan, Monaghan, Meath, and Louth) in partnership with Traveller organisations/PHCTPs operating in these areas with an estimated total population across these areas of 7,636 Travellers of which 2,748 are Traveller children under the age of 15.

This work further builds on and strengthens existing work in the region, in addition to undertaking a comprehensive analysis of Traveller children's health and actions required to support better outcomes.

Reports To

Traveller Child Health Development Worker will report to the Traveller Brighter Beginning Childhood Health Co-ordinator and Pavee Point who provide technical support and coordination on behalf of the ER THU. The Traveller Child Health Development Workers will work as part of the overall Project with other partner organisations who provide ongoing peer support. The project is funded by the HSE and Department of Health.

Place of Work

The post will be based in Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre, covering Dublin North.

Contract

This position is for 19.5 hours per week. The contract is subject to funding and a probation period.

About the Job:

Traveller Child Health Development Workers are peer worker roles, working as a team alongside a coordinator in the region to support the implementation of the Traveller Brighter Beginnings initiative under the National Traveller Health Action Plan. The aim of the Brighter Beginnings

initiative is to improve equality of access, participation and health outcomes for Traveller children aged 0-5. This includes working directly with Traveller families on the ground; identifying emerging issues; signposting to services; working with services directly; and supporting Traveller representation at local and regional meetings. The initiative is underpinned by community development and uses a social determinants of health approach to address Traveller children health inequalities

Key areas of work:

To work as part of a team and the Coordinator in the region to:

- Support a Traveller child health needs in the local area; supporting data collection, analysis and dissemination
- Support the Traveller health co-ordinator and the Regional Public Health Nurse in identifying appropriate families for assessment
- Work directly with Traveller families on the ground (0-5) providing in health advocacy and signposting
- Developing strong links and relationships with Traveller families and services locally, including child health services
- Support and provide feedback in potential blocks and gaps for Traveller child health needs across the different areas.
- Support and facilitate stakeholder engagements locally, regionally and nationally
- Ensure Traveller participation and representation on local relevant health and child related structures
- Develop Traveller-specific resources as related to Traveller child health, supporting health literacy.
- Support delivery of anti-racism training to child health related professionals
- Upskill, participate and complete in training relevant to role in line with professional development and practice
- Support delivery and information sessions with Traveller organisations/PHCTPs in the region
- Work with Traveller organisations/Primary Health Care Projects to highlight the work of the programme and the needs identified for Traveller children across the region

Training will be provided

Essential Requirements:

- Ability to work as part of a team and on own initiative
- Available to travel and work flexible hours when necessary.
- Driver of a Car with a Full Driver Licence
- Complete Garda Vetting

To apply

Please [email or post a CV and a short letter](#) stating why you would be a good candidate for the position. Email: hr@pavee.ie

For further information, please contact Kate Chambers at phc@pavee.ie.

Closing date: **25th June 2026**. Interviews will take place immediately the week of the **29th June 2026**.