

Challenging casework for Lambeth child social workers

Being a Lambeth Children and Families advanced practitioner

How you will spend your time

As an Advanced Practitioner you may be deployed across any part of children's social care from the access service to fostering or adoption. You will cowork cases with less experienced social workers and give them the hands-on guidance and support they need to grow. "It's great working in a place that is really focused on improving social work practice. It feels like Lambeth is trying something new and I am enjoying rolling up my sleeves to help people on really complex, interesting cases."

This is a varied and interesting role - you may be working with newly qualified social workers on their first court appearance, supporting a team manager to run a group supervision session or advising and providing hands-on support in particularly complex cases.

Our advanced practitioners are managed by the Principal Social Worker and are our practice leaders.

As an advanced practitioner you will not manage any staff or budgets but it is crucial you see yourself as a leader and can actively support the new ways of working necessary to transform Children Social Care services.

The Lambeth offer

All our advanced practitioners:

- Are part of a small team of eight advanced practitioners who work right across the service on the most complex cases to support less skilled social workers
- Support all the teams to undertake high quality group supervision
- Are line managed by our principal social worker and have a clear responsibility around embedding innovative practice
- Receive high quality ongoing training in systemic theory and methodologies; Signs of Safety and Brief Solution-Focused Therapy
- Access to great transport links and easy to access office location
- Earn up to £45k
- Receive a comprehensive pay and benefits package including 26 days annual leave (rising to 31 days for those with continuous service of more than five years), generous maternity, paternity and adoptive leave, membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme, interest free season ticket loan, interest free bike loan, interest free computer loan.

