

**Job Description**

<b>Department:</b>	Children’s Services
<b>Division/Section:</b>	Inclusion Services
<b>Job Title:</b>	Statutory Assessment & Monitoring (SAM) Officer (Education, Health & Care Plan Co-ordinator)
<b>Post No:</b>	
<b>Grade:</b>	10

**Reports to:** Head of Statutory Assessment and Monitoring Service

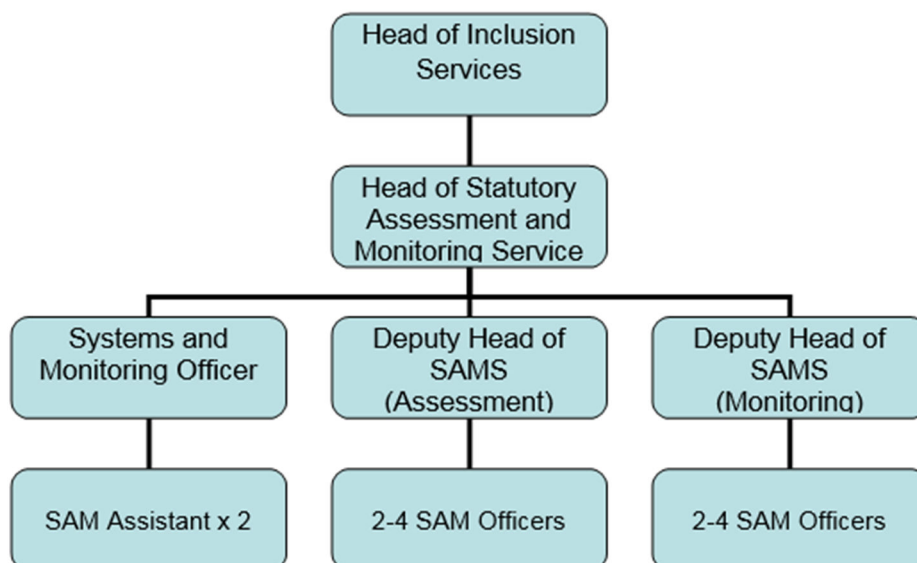
**Organisation Chart:**

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<b>DBS Check Applicable?</b>	<b>Enhanced</b>
<b>Is post exempt under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 in respect of declaration of spent convictions?</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Line Management Responsibility for:</b>	<b>No. of direct reports: 0</b>
	<b>No of indirect reports: 0</b>
<b>Size of budget:</b>	<b>No budget responsibility</b>

- Job Purpose:**
- To manage the Education, Health & Care assessment and review process for a proportion of the children and young people within the city.
  - To oversee the assessment & drafting of Education, Health & Care Plans for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities.
  - To ensure that children and young people with EHCPs have appropriate support, resources and placements in school/settings to enable them to achieve positive learning and developmental outcomes.
  - To oversee the EHC review process for designated children and young people.

**Main Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Co-ordinate, construct and develop education, health and care plans, within statutory timescales, from approved assessments to achieve stated objectives and outcomes in relation to the needs of individual children and young people, reflecting their aspirations as closely as possible.
- Undertake ongoing co-ordination, monitoring and review of EHC plans to ensure that the appropriate level of support is in place, that appropriate progress is being made toward achieving the outcomes specified in the plans.
- Attend emergency/interim reviews of EHCPs where placements are at risk of breaking down.
- As part of the review process, agree amendments – within statutory timescales - against evidenced changes and, where indicated, identify if a plan should be discontinued.
- As required, liaise with children, young people, parents/carers, involved professionals and providers to monitor and develop services.
- Present cases at appropriate local authority panels as required.
- Request funding for the service/s identified. Where appropriate ensure that a care/support and a risk management plan is completed with the named provider.
- Engage in partnership working to find ways of meeting the needs of children and young people in a creative, outcome focused way.
- To represent the local authority at formal mediation.
- As required, work with a multi-disciplinary team to prepare and present cases at SENDIST.
- Undertake any other duties which fall within the spirit, scope and purpose of the post.

**Generic Responsibilities:** To carry out all responsibilities with regard to the Council's Equalities Policy and Procedures and Customer Care Policy.

To comply with all Health & Safety at work requirements as laid down by the employer.

The council is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

**Flexibility Clause:** Other duties and responsibilities express and implied which arise from the nature and character of the post within the department (or section) mentioned above or in a comparable post in any of the Organisation's other sections or departments.

**Variation Clause:** This is a description of the job as it is constituted at the date shown. It is the practice of this Authority to periodically examine job descriptions, update them and ensure that they relate to the job performed, or to incorporate any proposed changes. This procedure will be conducted by the appropriate manager in consultation with the post holder.

In these circumstances it will be the aim to reach agreement on reasonable changes, but if agreement is not possible the Head of Service reserves the right to make changes to your job description following consultation.

**Date:** 19/12/2016

**Completed by:** Katy Blessett