

Student Placement Information.

Tenterden Counselling Service (TCS) was established over 30 years ago as a charity offering counselling services to our local community, governed by a board of Trustees.

We offer an affordable counselling service, where clients are asked for a donation based on their ability to pay, and we make it clear that we will never turn anyone away .

One of the biggest advantages of TCS is our ability to offer open ended counselling, so that counsellors and clients can decide how long the therapeutic intervention should last based on need rather than financial constraints.

Our referrals come from several sources in the community, e.g GPs, or clients can self refer. As a result we see a broad range of clients with a variety of different presentations.

What does TCS offer?

In joining TCS you would be welcomed into a supportive team whose aim is to support the mental wellbeing of the local population. We will provide you with :-

- Professional Indemnity Insurance
- DBS check to be provided by TCS
- 3 client hours per week
- Free fortnightly group supervision - max 4 per group. (Your supervisor will also provide all reviews and reports required by your college, by separate negotiation.)
- Induction sessions with both your supervisor and one of our counsellors to familiarise you with our procedures and answer your questions and you will join your supervision group before taking your first client.
- Clients will be carefully allocated by the service so that they are suitable for a trainee.

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- If required, you may arrange to tape your sessions with the written permission of the client
- Safeguarding policy (see handbook)
- 2 counselling rooms available in different locations in Tenterden
- Potential to apply for paid counselling work with us post qualification.

What does TCS need from you?

- Your enthusiasm and commitment to working with a wide range of presenting clients
- Letter from your college tutors confirming you are Ready for Placement.
- Membership of a Professional Counselling Body - e.g BACP UKCP

Application Process.

Please send an email to admin@tenterdencounselling.org.uk in the first instance to include your CV, copy of your “Ready for placement” letter, and covering letter.

You may then be selected for an interview with us at Tenterden, and places will be offered subject to 2 references (one professional, one from a tutor).