**CARE ASSISTANT, THE ROBIN CENTRE**

**PERSON SPECIFICATION**

As our new care assistant, you will be an experienced care worker, preferably in the day care sector. You will be a good and sympathetic communicator, who understands and is skilled in the special challenges of interacting with the mentally confused. You will be tolerant and kind, and willing to face up to difficult and unpredictable behaviours when the need arises.

Qualities and qualifications which are **essential** are as follows:

a. NVQ Level 2 in Health and Social Care

b. experience of work of a similar nature, in particular involving clients with dementia, Alzheimer’s, stroke and/ or mobility problems

c. ability to communicate effectively at all levels

d. ability to work as part of a team

e. absolute discretion in relation to all client data

f. initiative and drive – willingness to see a challenge and tackle it

g. flexibility of movement (bending, stretching, kneeling)

h. basic IT skills

Qualities and qualifications which are **desirable** are as follows:

a. education to GCSE level (Grade C) or equivalent

b. sense of humour

c. Enhanced DBS (we will assist in obtaining this if not already in place)