**HMR Local Programmes for VR – Information for therapists– May 2023**

**(note: information subject to changes over time, please check information current)**

Refer to **Work and Skills Team** within Rochdale Council

[jobsandskills@rochdale.gov.uk](mailto:jobsandskills@rochdale.gov.uk)

provided over 18 & resident within Rochdale requiring support in relation to work or skills

they will assess which programme is the best for that individual and refer them to the relevant place.

**Job Centre Plus**

Employment support is provided by work coaches and specialist advisors

National Jobcentre enquiry line: 0345 604 3719

Rochdale Jobcentre plus:2 Fleece Street, Rochdale. 0800 169 0190

Local contacts:

Rochdale Jodie Brown Disability Employment Advisor [Jodie.Salford-Brown@dwp.gov.uk](mailto:Jodie.Salford-Brown@dwp.gov.uk) 07385399764

DEA Lead Oldham & Rochdale, Catherine Makhijani [Catherine.Makhijani@dwp.gov.uk](mailto:Catherine.Makhijani@dwp.gov.uk)

**IPES (Intensive Personalised Employment** **Support)**

only DEAs can refer, for those with health conditions/disability who are unemployed. Support worker can help identify what work able to do, skill match, access training and support in first 6 months of job.

**Rochdale Council**

Local schemes offered within HMR include support with finding a job, job support and training, apprenticeships, volunteering, careers advice

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/jobs>

Drop-in sessions to support with finding training, employment or volunteering.

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/workandskillshubs>

Work clubs based in local centres around HMR support job seekers

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/jobs/find-work-club>

Current schemes

**Maximus**

Offer employability schemes within the northwest for free learning or support individuals with autism, learning disability or mental illness with employment.

https://www.maximusuk.co.uk/our-services/employability

**PossAbilities**

Offers training, job coaching and searching for individuals with a learning disability, mental health condition, physical or sensory impairment.

Telephone: 01706 423085 https://www.possabilities.org.uk/employment/

**Get Rochdale working** facebook page posts training, jobs, volunteering

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/GetRochdaleWorking/>

**Local volunteering opportunities**

https://www.actiontogether.org.uk/volunteer

**Working Well** - Greater Manchester programme to support individuals with a health condition or disability to get back into work

<https://www.inworkgm.co.uk/>

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| **Work and Health Programme** (Ingeus)  <https://ingeus.co.uk/services/employment/work-and-health-programme-whp>  Tel 0207 265 3000 can self refer  **Restart**  Support jobseekers to find employment, job search support, referral by job centre plus workcoach  <https://ingeus.co.uk/services/employment/restartscheme>  **Positive Steps**  Supports young people upto 25 years, charitable trust, careers advice, volunteering and young carers support  <https://www.positive-steps.org.uk/>  [RochdaleCareers@positive-steps.org.uk](mailto:RochdaleCareers@positive-steps.org.uk)  0800 195 8528  0161 621 9290  **The Youth Hub**  The DWP in partnership with Rochdale Council’s Work, Health and Skills Team have set up a Youth Hub to support young people aged 16 – 24 living in the borough to access training and employment opportunities. Support to access kickstart placements & apprenticeships, career counsellors, support with housing and financial barriers,   Phone: 01706 646471  https://www.actiontogether.org.uk/civicrm/event/info?id=2581&reset=1  **Upturn – local change**  Lottery funded scheme supporting individuals into jobs, training and further education  **Motiv8**  If over 18, support to overcome the barriers and get lives back on track i.e. issues with health, alcohol, drugs, domestic violence, debt, homelessness  <https://www.motiv8mcr.org/>  0161 331 2048  **Step Together**  Supports disadvantaged youths participate in community work and volunteering  <https://www.step-together.org.uk>  **NPP – New pioneers programme**  Support with return to employment and career progression if resident in the lower falinge or college bank area of Rochdale  <https://www.newpioneersprogject.co.uk>  **Drug & Alcohol related support (ground work/turning point)**  Support to enter or return to employment, can self refer or professional referral  <https://www.turning-point.co.uk/services/rochdale-oldham> |