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Sennie (SEN Specialist / Nanny) for B2

Guildford, Surrey GU1 | Permanent Part-Time Role | Live Out | 12 Hours a Week

Additional needs present:	Location:	Wage / Salary:	Driver:
B2: Cerebral palsy and epilepsy (well managed)	Guildford, Surrey GU1	£18 to £25 per hour gross, depending on experience £11,232 to £15,600 per annum gross	Non essential
Live in/out:	**Pets:**	**Days & Hours:**	**Start Date:**
Live out	None	12 hours per week, Monday to Friday 3 sessions of 4 hours - Mon - Thurs: 8.30am to 12.30pm **OR** 1pm to 5pm Friday :9am - 1pm **OR** 2pm to 6pm	ASAP

Essential Skills/Traits:

- Experience caring for a young child with complex physical needs
- Confident with, or willing to be trained in, safe moving and handling
- Experience of, or willing to learn, safe feeding for a child on a purée diet
- Epilepsy awareness, and willing to follow B2's care plan and complete any training needed
- Gentle, encouraging and proactive at helping B2 play, finding ways for him to join in and achieve
- Supports communication through play, music and everyday interaction
- Happy to attend therapy and hospital appointments with B2 once settled in
- Paediatric first aid, or willing to complete it before starting

About the Role & Family

SENNIES is delighted to support a warm and loving family in Guildford in finding a part-time Sennie for their 2-year-old son, B2. Their current nanny is moving on, and they are looking for someone gentle and encouraging to start as soon as possible. The family are also expecting a new baby in early 2027.

B2 has occasional hospital appointments, so some flexibility with days and times is helpful when these arise. B2 is supported by a team of NHS therapists, and some sessions may fall within the Sennie's hours. A parent will come along at first until the Sennie feels confident attending alone.

The family's approach is responsive and compassionate. They are looking for someone who wants to really get to know B2, see what he is capable of and give him every opportunity to achieve it. Training will be provided by B2s care team and parents for the selected Sennie.

About B2

B2 is a cheerful and determined little boy who loves people, music and playing, and is keen to engage with the world around him. He has a diagnosis of cerebral palsy following a brain injury, and epilepsy, which is generally well managed. B2 is not yet mobile, but he is working hard on rolling and commando crawling. Movement is a challenge for him currerntly, so he needs lots of support to engage with toys and activities, but he really wants to take part in activities, connect with other people and play. B2 has a nursery place from January 2027 for a few half-day sessions.

B2 is supported by physiotherapy, occupational therapy, portage, a visual impairment advisory teacher and a physical disabilities advisory teacher. His Sennie will use the strategies and activities these professionals recommend and work with them to support his development.

Key development areas: Moving; engaging with toys; communication.

Medication: B2 takes regular medication, including for epilepsy. The family will share full details.

Safety note: B2 eats a purée diet and has an aspiration risk. Feeding currently needs two people, one holding him and one feeding, and he has a supportive feeding chair. The family have equipment to help lift him if needed. His Sennie will need to be confident following his epilepsy care plan, training provided.

Main Duties & Responsibilities

- Plan play that B2 can join in with: music, songs, sensory play and toys he can reach and explore
- Support B2 with moving, rolling and positioning, using safe moving and handling and the family's equipment
- Support feeding alongside a parent, following B2's safe feeding plan
- Provide personal care, including nappy changes and dressing
- Give parents a handover after each session
- Light housekeeping during nap times, including tidying communal areas, loading the dishwasher, sterilising bottles and children's laundry and bedrooms.
- Follow the strategies and exercises recommended by B2's physiotherapist, occupational therapist and portage worker
- Support B2 in his therapy sessions (with a parent initially, moving to sole charge once settled) and accompany B2 to hospital appointments alongside a parent.
- Follow B2's epilepsy care plan and respond calmly to any seizures
- Keep B2's play areas and equipment clean and organised
- Support B2's communication through play, songs and everyday interaction

Who This Role Would Suit

- A gentle, encouraging and patient Sennie who loves early years and play
- Someone experienced with, or keen to learn about, complex physical needs and cerebral palsy
- A proactive person who finds creative ways for a child with limited movement to take part and have fun
- Someone calm and confident with feeding, moving and handling and epilepsy care, or keen to be trained
- Someone looking for a long-term, part-time role who wants to become a trusted part of B2's world

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