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Catholic Marriage Care Service

PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL TO ACCORD

ASSOCIATE COUNSELLOR APPLICATION FORM 2011

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Tel: _____ Mobile: _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

Work Tel: _____ Email: _____

MISSION STATEMENT

*Empowering people
Fostering Relationships
Caring for Couples facing
the Challenges of Christian Marriage.
This is the work of ACCORD
In today's world*

GENERAL EDUCATION :

| School | Year | Examination taken | Results |
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Counselling Experience & Qualifications

Are you an accredited counsellor? Yes No
Are you working towards accreditation? Yes No

Accrediting Body: _____ Date of Accreditation: _____

Counselling Qualifications _____

Number of post-graduation counselling hours delivered in the past 2 yrs

Number of post graduation supervision hours received in the past two years:

Counselling Education (Part & Fulltime)

(begin with most recent)

Name of College/Institution: _____

Commencement Date: _____ Duration of course: _____

Summary of content: _____

Client hours during course? _____

Qualification achieved: _____

(Copies of Degrees, Diplomas to be included)

Counselling Education (Part & Fulltime)

Name of College/Institution: _____

Commencement Date: _____ Duration of course: _____

Summary of content: _____

Qualification achieved: _____

Counselling hours during course? _____

Please give a brief description of your post-graduation counselling caseload and experience to date :

Employment History—Briefly outline starting with most recent

Dates

Organisation and Role

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Please briefly state your reasons for applying to become a member of ACCORD as a counsellor:

In a separate document please outline significant life experiences (family, relationships, work etc) and say how those experiences would contribute to your work as a counsellor with ACCORD - 700 words approx.

Please describe your communication style citing examples:

Please give an example of how you managed conflict in your life:

Outline your understanding of the commitment necessary to work as an ACCORD Counsellor:

Please give the name & contact information for two people (relevant to counselling and not related to you) who ACCORD may contact for character references:

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| Name: _____ |
| Position: _____ |
| Address: _____ |
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| Phone: _____ |
| E-mail: _____ |

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I declare that all the above statements and information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any mis-statement or omission of facts constitute grounds for non selection or release. I hereby give permission for contact to be made with all relevant persons.

The offer of a place is contingent on a satisfactory outcome to the Garda/POCVA vetting process and reference checks.

Candidate: _____ Date: _____

Please number in order 1, 2, 3 the Centre you would have a preference to join:

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|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dublin Centres | Athlone | Dundalk | Navan | Wexford |
| Ballymun | | | | |
| Blanchardstown | Ballina | Ennis | Nenagh | Northern Ireland Offices |
| Bray | Ballinasloe | Galway | Newbridge | Armagh |
| Clondalkin | Bantry | Inishowen | Portlaoise | Ballymena |
| Dunlaoghaire | Carlow | Kilkenny | Roscommon | Belfast |
| Harcourt Street | Castlebar | Killarney | Sligo | Derry |
| Lucan | Cavan | Letterkenny | Thurles | Downpatrick |
| Marino | Charlestown | Limerick | Tipperary | Enniskillen |
| Phibsboro | Clonmel | Limerick West | Tralee | Maghera |
| Swords | Cloyne | Longford | Tuam | Newry |
| Tallaght | Donegal | Monaghan | Tullamore | Omagh |
| Templeogue | Drogheda | Mullingar | Waterford | |

Supervisors Report

CONFIDENTIAL

ACCORD Counsellor

Name of Applicant: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

The above named applicant has applied for selection as an ACCORD Counsellor. A supervisor's report on her/his suitability to work in this role is required, before selection. It is required that the applicant has been in supervision with you for a minimum of 12 months prior to completing this report. In the event of a shorter period of time, we will also require a report from the previous supervisor.

Supervisor's Name: _____

Address: _____

Qualifications: _____

Professional membership: _____

Counselling experience:

VISION STATEMENT

ACCORD Marriage Care Service is an agency of the Catholic Church providing a nation-wide professional service to couples preparing for or seeking a deeper commitment within the sacrament of marriage.

ACCORD is committed to providing a quality service. Personnel, coming from a wide variety of backgrounds, are appropriately trained.

ACCORD responds to the challenges facing Christian marriage today and affirms its value in an ever-changing world. It empowers couples to explore and reflect on:

- ◆ the essential elements of their marriage
- ◆ the purpose and value of their choices within a committed relationship

ACCORD serves the pastoral needs of couples at different stages in their relationship

* **Ongoing support** throughout marriage facilitates:

- the development of strategies for the emotional, spiritual, and psychological well being of couples
- reflection on the Christian experience of love, commitment and family life

* **Relationship counselling** is provided for couples as well as individuals in a couple relationship in a caring and confidential manner. It is a twofold process enabling clients to identify and acknowledge difficulties in their relationship and to discover the inner resources to deal with them.

All prospective candidates should be familiar with ACCORD's Vision and Mission Statements

* **Cost**

ACCORD is a voluntary organization providing a professional service to all who need it, regardless of ability to pay. Successful applicants have their course fees and cost of professional development paid for by ACCORD.

Trainees are required to contract with ACCORD to repay part of the cost of the course by providing professional counselling service on a voluntary basis. If, for any reason a trainee cannot fulfill this requirement, they will be required to repay any outstanding fees. All other costs, including personal therapy, are met by the trainee.