

Fife Individual Placement and Support  
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## **Fife Individual Placement Support (IPS)**

*Individual Placement and Support is a proven way of helping people, who have had mental ill health in to work. Over 50% of people on IPS are successful in finding and keeping paid employment.*

Fife IPS service would like to welcome their new team lead Joanne Koziel. Joanne has been working within the area of mental health as an occupational therapist for 16 years, in both health and voluntary services. Joanne is looking forward to her new role and becoming further involved with the development of employability services in Fife. In addition to Joanne the team also welcome Keith McGeoch and Liz Gibson.

Keith will join the employment specialists in the team (Elaine Richards, Paula Donaldson, Vicky Stodart and Kate Appleyard) Keith has previously worked in triage and criminal justice service amongst others. Keith has a keen interest in employability and is looking forward to working in Fife again.

Liz Gibson has joined the team as the cognitive remediation therapy (CRT) learning coach. Liz has worked for the last four years as a Learning Coach delivering CRT within the Employ Your Mind project. Before moving to FEAT she worked NHS Lothian in the Substance Misuse and the Vocational Rehabilitation Service, which included the Works IPS service. **CRT is used to improve thinking skills, such as memory, concentration and problem solving, which can in turn help individuals to work towards their goals such as gaining and retaining competitive employment.**

If you want to find out more please contact the team on the number above.