



## Respite Worker Job Description

<b>Position:</b>	Respite Worker
<b>Program:</b>	The Autism Nova Scotia Respite Support Database connects families needing respite with trained and qualified respite workers in their area. In addition to providing trained respite workers, the Autism Nova Scotia Database connects families to respite resources such as community supports, recreation and leisure programs, and funding information.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Arranged between the family requiring respite and the respite worker, who both indicate their availability on the online application.
<b>Term:</b>	Arranged between the family requiring respite and the respite worker, who both indicate the term requirements and availability on the online application.
<b>Accountability:</b>	Respite Workers are evaluated on site by the families requiring respite.
<b>Responsibility:</b>	Determined by the family, depending on their needs and wants for their child (i.e. requests the respite worker to focus on community integration and social interaction).

### **General Duties:**

The Respite Worker is responsible for the following:

- Providing in-home respite care or out-of home care, depending on the needs of the family and of the individual requiring respite

### **Qualifications:**

- Experience working with individuals living with disabilities an asset
- Outgoing, sociable, and willing to take initiative an asset
- Compassionate, trustworthy, patient, and reliable an asset
- First Aid Certification, Criminal Record Check, Vulnerable Sector Check, Child Abuse Registry Check and Three Reference Checks required
- Completion of Autism Know-How Training required and will be provided

If you are interested in applying for the position of Respite Worker on the Respite Database, please go to [www.respiteservices.com](http://www.respiteservices.com), select Nova Scotia from the drop down menu, select Worker Online Registration and complete the online application form. Please have your up to date resume with three reference contacts (*emails only*) ready to upload prior to beginning the online application.

If you have any questions please contact Anna Brewer, Central Region Respite Coordinator by phone at 902-446-4995 or by email at [abrewer@autismns.ca](mailto:abrewer@autismns.ca)