



# Things to know

#### Location

A&E Department: Royal Preston Hospital or Chorley District Hospital

### Reports to

Ward Manager/ The Volunteer Manger

### **Time Commitment**

2 hours per week

### **Checks Required**

DBS

Occupational Health

References

### **Expenses**

Reimbursed travel to/ from location on day of volunteering

# **Personal Requirements**

- •Confident when communicating with staff, patients & general public
- •To display levels of empathy and understanding at all times
- Always smart and presentable and always wearing Trust ID badge
- •To display and emulate the Trust Values
- •Understand the importance to stay within the boundaries of the role description
- Act with integrity, sensitivity and understanding

# **A&E Volunteers**

#### **OUTLINE OF DUTIES**

To provide friendly and compassionate support to patients who are on the wards and to assist the staff on the ward.

### **MAIN TASKS**

- Talk to patients in A&E
- Reassure patients who are anxious or nervous
- Serve beverages on the ward and support staff at meal times
- Restocking shelves and or trolleys
- To report any issues to a member of the nursing team
- To ensure patients confidentiality

### TRAINING AND SUPPORT

- Trust Mandatory Training- to be refreshed every 3 years
  - ✓ Fire safety
  - ✓ Health and Safety
  - ✓ Infection Control (Level 1)
  - ✓ Human Rights
  - ✓ Moving and Handling (level 1)

Volunteers will also have to complete some additional training due to the nature of the role:

- ✓ Dementia Awareness Training
- ✓ Information Governance Training
- Support will be provided by the volunteering department who will have regular catch up's to support your progress.

## **BENEFITS TO VOLUNTEERS**

| $\bigcirc$ | Opportunity to help/support patients during a difficult time                           |
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| $\bigcirc$ | Ongoing support and supervision sessions   |
| $\bigcirc$ | Making friends with other volunteers and meeting new people                            |
| $\bigcirc$ | Awards in recognition of volunteering contribution                                     |
| Ø          | Free parking   |
| $\bigcirc$ | All volunteers qualify for a Blue Light Discount Card- please ask for further details. |

## **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

| Criteria   | Essential  | Desirable  |
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| Understanding the importance of confidentiality and following procedures | $\bigcirc$ |            |
| Excellent communication skills   | $\bigcirc$ |            |
| Ability to work as an individual and as part of a team                   | Ø          |            |
| Reliable and punctual  | Ø          |            |
| Willingness to undertake training  | $\bigcirc$ |            |
| Experience of volunteering   |            | $\bigcirc$ |
| Experience of a healthcare setting                                       |            | $\bigcirc$ |