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Volunteering

Volunteering opportunities and how to apply.

Covid-19 response volunteers

We currently have the following volunteering opportunities available:

- Volunteers for Care Homes
- Volunteers for Support within Localities
- Volunteers for Telephone Befriending

Current Covid-19 volunteering webpage

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Covid-19 response volunteering opportunities

We are looking for volunteers to help with providing support services in response to Covid-19.

Volunteer recruitment

Covid-19 response: Apply online

Volunteers make an important contribution by complementing and assisting the work of paid staff.

Apply online for a Covid-19 response volunteer opportunity.

Example of details included within the volunteering opportunity:

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Volunteers for Care Homes

Role description

Denbighshire County Council are looking for volunteers who are willing to provide support to our Care teams and residents within our Care Homes. You would of course be provided with appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the situation.

We take your safety and wellbeing extremely seriously and so we will ask you to disclose whether you were previously considered 'vulnerable' or 'extremely vulnerable' by Welsh Government. This will not prevent you from volunteering with us, it will simply ellow us to ect swiftly to protect you should a positive COVID-19 case be identified within the Home.

Please note that our volunteering opportunities depend on the needs of residents and staff. Therefore we cannot guarantee that we will have hours for you straight away. However, please do register with us if you are interested, and as soon as hours become available that are suitable for you, we will allocate you to this role. In order to prevent delays, we will be asking volunteers to complete a DBS Certificate and some basic induction training before allocating hours, so that you are ready to start as soon as hours become available.

Apply online

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- Assisting staff and residents with meals and daily activities
- Assisting residents with mobility
- · General help and assistance a resident may require
- Providing some friendly company
- Encouraging gentle exercise and helping facilitate hobbies and interests

Locations

Volunteers will be needed throughout the county. Depending on our residents' needs, and where you are able to travel to, you may be allocated to any of the following:

- Convent Cysgod Y Geer, Residential Care Home
- Ruthin: Llys Awelon, Extra Care Housing Scheme (apartment complex)
- Denbight Dolwen, Residential Care Home
- Rhyl: Gorwel Newydd, Extra Care Housing Scheme (apartment complex)
- Prestatyn: Nent Y Mor, Extra Care Housing Scheme (apartment complex)

We will match volunteers to areas close to their homes. We also support all the Social Care Providers within the County including privately owned, and so you may be asked to help an Independent Care Provider in their building.

We will of course take your location and preferences into consideration before allocating you anywhere.

Requirements

We are looking for volunteers who possess a positive attitude, compassion, resilience and excellent communication skills. The ability to put people at ease and gain their trust will be highly valued by those who may feel socially isolated at this difficult time. If you have particular skills such as experience of supporting individuals within a Care Home, or working with those with Dementia or Complex disabilities, we will try and match you with your area of interest and skill set.

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Hours

We will look to fit in with volunteers as much as possible so would be keen to understand how many hours a week and what days would work best for each individuals.

What happens next

If you are interested in this opportunity, please email

felicity.chandler@denbighshire.gov.uk. You will then be contacted and asked to complete a short form so we can understand your preferences and determine where best to allocate you.

As these roles are based within the social care sector supporting vulnerable adults, we will need to carry out an enhanced DBS check, and obtain one reference. You will also be provided with relevant training and support.

Mock-up of Volunteering Opportunities page (pre accessibility work):

Interested volunteers click a heading to expand the opportunity details, which will include information such as the above page, to include a link to the online registration of interest/volunteer information form, or the managers contact details, whichever method is preferred by the Service.

