

Volunteer Role Description

Role Title	Activity Helper
Purpose of the role	To interact with children and young people visiting the centres/projects and assist with activities of their choice.
Where	Children's services – respite and residential homes
When	Monday - Sunday
Tasks to be undertaken	Sunndach and Calareidh both have a snozelen and a play-room. These provide ideal environments for the children to engage in play or multi-sensory activities. Both houses provide care for children as young as 6 months and up to 18 and in some cases through to early adulthood.
Skills, Attitudes and Experience needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reliable and punctual • Willingness to learn • A confident, articulate and personable manner, with understanding and empathy • A good understanding of and ability to uphold confidentiality • A commitment to high standards and quality service • Reliable and committed • Patience, understanding and sensitivity of the needs patients, and their families • Adhere to all health and safety and fire regulations and to co-operate with the NHS in maintaining good standards of health and safety. <p>Training is provided in all aspects of the role</p>
Support & supervision	Staff within the Respite Centre and VSM
Expenses	Agreed out of pocket expenses which are incurred when carrying out this volunteer role will be reimbursed in line with the NHS Lothian volunteer expenses policy and signed off by the VSM.
How to apply / what happens next (selection methods)	Application Pack, Informal interview, Occupational Health Check, Disclosure/PVG
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