

Impact Advocacy Service Volunteer Aspie Trainer's Support



- Title of role:** Volunteer Aspie Trainer's Support Worker
- Hours per Week:** Flexible (although each training session normally lasts 3 hours)
- Accountable to:** Volunteer Coordinator
- Line Managed by:** Team Leader

Benefits of volunteering

- All expenses paid.
- Full training will be provided along with shadowing opportunities.
- You will be invited to regular supervision.
- You will have access to a whole team of advocates and volunteers who can support you whenever necessary.

Main Activities

We always want to ensure that volunteers are happy and enjoying their activities. Volunteers can choose from the following two options or do a mixture of the two.

- ❖ Support online training sessions by:
 - a. Opening up the online session and supporting the trainer to prepare 15 minutes before the start of the session
 - b. Managing trainees and resolving technical difficulties throughout the session
 - c. Taking the register.
 - d. Noting down questions asked and ensuring they get answered by the end of the session. Passing on any unanswered questions to the trainer and Aspie team leader to ensure they can get followed up.
- ❖ Support in person training sessions by:
 - a. Supporting some trainers to arrive at the venue
 - b. Helping to set up and pack up the training room
 - c. Supporting the trainer to welcome people and take the register.
 - d. Helping with any technical difficulties.
 - e. Noting down questions asked and ensuring they get answered by the end of the session. Passing on any unanswered questions to the trainer and Aspie team leader to ensure they can get followed up.

The role of a Aspie Trainer's volunteer involves:

- A basic knowledge and understanding of Asperger's and Autistic Spectrum Conditions.
- A basic knowledge of Zoom and Microsoft Teams.
- Travelling to different training venues, if required (expenses paid). Having a drivers licence and access to a car, or ability and confidence in using public transport is essential.
- Being a support to the Aspie Trainer
- To develop effective working relationships with the Trainers and students.
- To keep your team leader updated on a regular basis, if you are unable to attend a session or need cancel or rearrange.
- To work within the Project and Organisational policies and procedures.

We ask volunteers to:

- Have time, and be willing, to attend training and supervision sessions as required.
- Be committed to equal opportunities.
- Be willing to develop knowledge and skills.

A quote from one of our current trainers:

"People take our tips and have a new way of understanding what it is like to be autistic and how to support someone who is autistic"