

# Volunteer Role Profile

Volunteer Role	<b>Digi-Know Connector</b>
Volunteer Manager	<b>Youth Coordinator</b>
Where you will be based	<b>Community</b>

## Why we want you

As Diabetes UK's leading charity, it's our job to tackle the diabetes crisis. We're here to prevent type 2 diabetes, campaign for and support everyone affected by diabetes, and fund research that will one day lead us to a cure.

This is an exciting opportunity for young people aged 18-25 with type 1 diabetes to be trained and supported to become peer support volunteers. This role specifically is focused on creating a space online where young people across Scotland can chat together, share ideas, raise issues and have fun! This opportunity is open to any young person aged 18-25 across Scotland with Type 1 diabetes. You will be given support and training to run this group and for other skills needed to be a peer supporter. This is part of a peer support project that aims to connect people on an individual level, a community level and at a national level.

## What you will be doing

- Attend project activities and meetings with the other Peer Supporters over zoom to design and oversee the project.
- Share ideas about what would make a difference to the life of young people with Type 1 Diabetes.
- Alongside your fellow Peer Support volunteers, you will plan and moderate conversation on a large scale with young people across Scotland
- Promoting the project to young people across Scotland
- Moderate and interact with young people with Type 1 Diabetes from across Scotland on our digital stay connected working group.
- Plan and suggest discussion topics, conversation and competitions that your group can take part in
- Assist the Youth Coordinator in gathering evaluation of the project and of your strand of the project
- Take part in evaluation of your time on the project

## The skills you need

- Between 18 and 25 years of age and have experience of living with Type 1 Diabetes
- Confident in talking and listening to people and passionate about helping people
- Enthusiastic about being part of a team and sharing your own thoughts

and ideas

- Passionate about raising awareness of diabetes
- Committed to Peer Support and to creating a space to meet with others
- Able to be a supportive and non-judgemental team member

## **What's in it for you**

- The opportunity to be a part of a team of young people supporting other young people with type 1 diabetes
- Be part of a team that will make a real difference to young people living with Type 1 diabetes in Scotland
- Training to support you to develop and deliver the project activities
- The opportunity to learn new skills and be supported by the Youth Coordinator to develop new skills and run the peer support activities you are a part of.
- The opportunity to develop teamwork, project planning, peer support skills, leadership, event planning and many more transferable skills to help you find your future employment
- Reimbursement of out of pocket expenses incurred while carrying out activities for Diabetes UK, e.g. travel, lunch. (As our activity at the moment will be online, these expenses will be very minimal until restrictions are lifted and it is safe to be out in person)
- Opportunity to attend our Volunteer Conference and feed into what Diabetes UK are doing
- To take part as flexibly as you can

## **Disclaimer**

We are committed to ensuring that our volunteer recruitment is fair, safe and consistent. The recruitment and selection process must therefore be appropriate to the nature of the role. Some roles may require a more in-depth selection process, for example those working with children or vulnerable adults. Your volunteering contact will be able to explain more about this.

This role will require references. Successful applicants will be required to apply for membership of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme.

We will invite successful applicants to an interview, by either telephone, Zoom or Teams- whichever suits you best, so that we can get to know each other a bit more and talk more about the Peer Support project.