

Calderdale Dementia Hub



ROLE DESCRIPTION

ROLE:	DEEP Group Support Volunteer
ACCOUNTABLE TO:	Calderdale Dementia Hub Volunteer Coordinator
HOURS:	3 hours – 10am to 1pm currently on the 4 th Wednesday in the month
LOCATION:	Currently in Elland
EXPERIENCE:	No specific experience is required
COMMITMENT:	3 hrs over 1 day in the month

Would you like to help support the local community to live well with dementia? Have you got great communication skills and are adaptable to the needs of others? Calderdale Dementia Hub are looking for volunteers to help deliver this service.

CALDERDALE DEMENTIA HUB (CDH)
CDH is a partnership between Community Links and Age UK Calderdale & Kirklees and offers an information, advice and signposting service for anyone living in Calderdale diagnosed with dementia, and their friends, family and carers.
ABOUT THE ROLE
DEEP is a UK network of groups of people with dementia who work to get their voice heard. There are around 80 groups, and DEEP connects them together to share their experience, and to support each other. Our Calderdale DEEP group started in 2022 and is led by people with dementia.
OUTLINE OF ROLE:
As a volunteer you would be supporting CDH staff on the day of the DEEP group meeting
MAIN TASKS:
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Helping to set up the room and tidying away at the end of the group2. Escorting clients to and from transport and other parts of the building (after manual handling training has been completed. This training is offered free)3. Assisting group participants with preparing and distributing refreshments and with washing up (after a food hygiene certificate has been obtained. This training is offered free)4. Welcoming and talking to people with dementia5. Assisting people who have dementia to engage in activities

6. To carry out any other duties which may be required and are consistent with the role

THE IDEAL VOLUNTEER WILL HAVE

Essential

- Good communication as well as active listening skills
- Awareness or interest in learning about dementia
- Enjoy meeting people.
- Flexible and cooperative response to working in a team
- Good interpersonal skills
- Can demonstrate empathy and compassion
- Honest and reliable with a pleasant and friendly manner

Desirable

- Able to travel independently

Behaviours and values

- Willingness to understand the issues and barriers related to people affected by dementia
- An open-minded approach to individuals, avoiding judgement and stereotyping.
- Enjoy working with others.
- A commitment to and understanding of equal opportunities.
- Patient and understanding.
- Ability to work as a team player and a positive approach to supervision.

TRAINING AND SUPERVISION:

In house training and guidance will be provided during your Induction Period. We also provide ongoing learning and development throughout your volunteer experience along with regular supervision.

BENEFITS TO YOU:

- We will make you feel welcome, included and respected
- Receive one to one and group-based support
- Access to Induction, Learning, Development and Engagement.
- Gain practical skills and experience
- Join a great team of like-minded people
- Enhance your CV
- Expenses reimbursed as agreed with the volunteer coordinator

Interested?

Please contact **Dawn on 07513 727438** or **01422 399833** for more information and to arrange an informal chat.

We look forward to hearing from you!