

## Calderdale Dementia Hub



### ROLE DESCRIPTION

<b>ROLE:</b>	Awareness Raising Volunteer
<b>ACCOUNTABLE TO:</b>	Calderdale Dementia Hub Volunteer Coordinator
<b>HOURS:</b>	Varied
<b>LOCATION:</b>	Age UK Calderdale & Kirklees, 4-6 Square, Woolshops HX1 1RJ
<b>EXPERIENCE:</b>	No specific experience is required
<b>COMMITMENT:</b>	Flexible (suitable for dipping in and out)
<b>ISSUE DATE:</b>	14.11.22
<b>REVIEW DATE:</b>	01.11.23

*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.*

<b>CALDERDALE DEMENTIA HUB (CDH)</b>
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.
<b>ABOUT THE ROLE</b>
CDH raises awareness of dementia across Calderdale through events and dementia awareness sessions. These can be at venues across the district and are not always dementia specific events. These are usually delivered by one member of staff and one volunteer.
<b>OUTLINE OF ROLE:</b>
As a volunteer you would be helping to support CDH in raising dementia awareness across Calderdale
<b>MAIN TASKS:</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Supporting CDH staff at local events and information stands</li><li>2. Distributing leaflets, flyers etc in community centres, GP surgeries, supermarket notice boards and other locations easily accessible to the community and organisations that support people with dementia.</li><li>3. Establishing connections with local organisations and community groups, bringing</li></ol>

- back information to the CDH team on the services they provide.
4. Supporting “Dementia Awareness” sessions across Calderdale
  5. To carry out any other duties which may be required and are consistent with the responsibilities of the role in agreement with the volunteer coordinator

#### **THE IDEAL VOLUNTEER WILL HAVE**

##### *Essential*

- Good communication as well as active listening skills
- Flexible and cooperative response to working in a team
- Good interpersonal skills
- Enjoy meeting people
- Can demonstrate empathy and compassion

##### *Desirable*

- Awareness or interest in learning about dementia

##### *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!*