

Barts Charity Hospital and Community Volunteer

About Barts Charity

We are a relatively small charity but ambitious in our aim to fund extraordinary healthcare for the 2.5 million people living in East London and beyond. We work with the five hospitals of Barts Health NHS Trust umbrella: The Royal London Hospital, St Bartholomew's Hospital, Newham Hospital, Mile End and Whipps Cross Hospital.

The hospitals we support offer a whole range of medical specialities and are home to some outstanding services: one of the biggest children hospitals in London, an excellent Major Trauma Centre (featured in An Hour to Save a Life – BBC 1) and the world renowned Barts Heart Centre – one of the largest cardiovascular centres in Europe.

We are looking for volunteers who would like to support our big agenda to continually improve the health care services available to one of the most diverse and deprived communities in the UK and to ensure that the clinical and non-clinical staff have access to cutting-edge equipment and resources to provide the best possible patient care and experience.

If you would like to help us on our exciting journey with this really important cause and support Barts Charity then we would love to hear from you.

About the volunteer role

Location: Roles available at The Royal London, St Bartholomew's, Newham and Whipps Cross Hospitals; Barts Charity Head Office

Role Type: Hospital and Community Volunteer

Commitment: Minimum of 3 hours per week

Duration: Ongoing

We're looking to build our community of volunteers to support Barts Charity with its varied and exciting activities. In order to apply please consider the following:

- + Are you passionate about improving health care and supporting the NHS?
- + Can you spare 3 hours a week (flexible around you)?
- + Can you shout and holler at our fundraising events?
- + Are you prepared to get stuck in and help out?
- + Are you 18 years old and above?
- + Are you able to use your initiative?
- + Can you work in a team?

If all of the above applies to you then Barts Charity can offer the following:

- + The opportunity to get some really good experience in Charity, fundraising and administration
- + The opportunity to meet lots of new people
- + To be involved in supporting and talking to staff and patients in the hospitals
- + To get out and about representing the Charity
- + Be part of some high profile fundraising events

Some of the things you may do:

- + Help run Barts Charity information stands
- + Visit hospital wards to talk to staff about applying for funding
- + Manage volunteer stations and build relationship with Trust volunteers, deposit Charity literature with them and check current stock
- + Collect donations from the cashiers office as and when required, delivering them to Head Office
- + Identify areas and opportunities the Charity can place posters, literature or collection tins within the hospital and the wider community
- + Replenish and maintain materials on open ward areas such as Outpatients
- + Monitor literature on restricted wards and build relationship with key staff. A DBS check will be required
- + Data input and other basic office duties
- + Visit organisations in and around the hospital to promote the Charity
- + Support fundraising events and the participants
- + Be an advocate of the Charity and the work we carry out. Always be prepared to talk about the Charity, promoting it whenever an appropriate opportunity arises

Opportunities:

The role is a varied and active one, involving relationship building, promotional and organisational skills. Barts Charity supports the work of Barts Health NHS Trust, the largest trust in the UK, so the role will offer you insights into the NHS and how it functions on a day-to-day basis. It is sociable, but will require planning and forward-thinking, especially when visiting busy wards and staff.

Notes:

You will be given a full overview of Barts Charity and how we work to support Barts Health NHS Trust, patients and their families, with special attention focused on the Community and Events fundraising programme.

Expenses will be reimbursed in line with standing practice, with additional reimbursement needing to be agreed in advance.

You will be given full support by the fundraising team, with someone on hand to field enquiries during office hours – 9am to 5pm

To apply please contact:

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