

# Volunteer Role Profile

Volunteer Role	<b>Pets As Therapy Volunteer</b>
Volunteer Manager	<b>Voluntary Services Manager and Ward/Unit Manager</b>
Where you will be based	<b>Hospital</b>

## Why we want you

We are looking for caring and compassionate volunteers to join our vibrant team. Opportunities to visit with your pooch are located throughout our Trust from Peterborough, to Cambridge to Wisbech.

To offer companionship to the service users during their admission, an opportunity to bond and make a connection with pets during a challenging time. Supporting service users to engage with the dog and feel comfortable spending time with them and you!

## What you will be doing

- You will be offering your time for companionship to service users across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust during their admission
- You will be presented with an opportunity to bond and make a connection with pets during a challenging time.
- You will have an opportunity to support service users to engage with the dog and feel comfortable spending time with them.

## The skills you need

- PAT Dog Charity registered - we can help with this
- Pet to be Insured and up to date with all required vaccinations, etc
- Active listening skills
- Sensitive and tactful nature
- Emotionally mature
- Compassion
- Reliable and trustworthy
- Understanding of (ability to learn) personal/professional boundaries

## What's in it for you

- Local induction into CPFT and your department
- Training as required for your role
- On-going support from a named member of staff
- First hand learning from either a ward or a community setting
- NHS Experience

- Reimbursement of your travel expenses

## **Disclaimer**

CPFT is committed to equality and diversity and works hard to make sure all staff and service users have access to an environment that is open and a free from discrimination.

As a Trust we value the diversity of our staff and service users, and therefore recognise and appreciate that everyone associated with the Trust is different and so should be treated in ways that are consistent with their needs and preferences. Therefore all staff are required to be aware of the Trust's Equality and Diversity Policy and the commitments and responsibilities the Trust has to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.