

Community Connector

In this role, you will build relationships and connect with people, places and organisations to raise awareness of stroke and of the Stroke Association within the community. By building these relationships you will contribute to improving the experience of people affected by stroke where they live and work.

What you could be doing

- Providing valuable support to our teams in the East of England.
- Building relationships with people and organisations to raise awareness of stroke and the Stroke Association.
- Representing the Stroke Association in your local community, this could include the delivery of talks and presentations (either face to face or digitally).
- Researching and gathering information relating to life after stroke services.
- Supporting the process of volunteer recruitment and training.
- Attending fundraising events, including donation collections.

What will you bring to the role?

You have...

- A passion and enthusiasm for raising awareness of stroke.
- A passion to support people affected by stroke to rebuild their lives.
- An enjoyment of talking to people and communities, either one to one, or presenting to groups.
- A desire to help improve care and support for stroke survivors.
- The ability to travel to venues and events by yourself.

*Whilst we would be delighted if you could perform all of these tasks, we will be happy to accept enquiries from you if you can provide suitable selective support.

*We do use technology e.g. ZOOM and Microsoft Teams to deliver training and engage with people. If you are interested in the role, but have concerns about the use of technology then please contact us using the contact details below.

What the role can offer you personally:

- Developing and learning new skills.
- Meeting new people, building a network and engaging with your local community.
- An opportunity to get together (either face to face/digitally) with other volunteers from the East of England to discuss local priorities and opportunities.
- Invitations to join national volunteer events to network and share experiences.

Who will be your network within Stroke Association?

- Community groups and organisations.
- The East of England Engagement team.
- Other volunteers in this role, both nationally and locally.

Training for this role:

You will have access to **Learn**, our learning management system where you can take part in both e-learning and instructor led courses to support your role.

- Being a **Community Connector** means increasing your knowledge and awareness of stroke, it's effects and the challenges that people face after stroke.
- Mandatory training: GDPR, basic health & safety, lone working, safeguarding.
- Plus, other stroke related topics that you may be interested in, or that feel relevant to the activities you are supporting.

Where you might volunteer:

- **Regions across The East of England:** Local to wherever you live in the East, but specifically in ~~Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Milton Keynes,~~ Norfolk & Suffolk.

For further information please contact:

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Our vision is for there to be fewer strokes, and for people affected by stroke to get the help they need to live the best life they can.

Our core purpose is to be the trusted voice of stroke survivors and their families. We want to drive better outcomes in stroke prevention, treatment and lifelong support for everyone affected by stroke.

**Volunteer and
make a difference.**

Find out more about stroke, what we do and how you can help:
stroke.org.uk or call our
Stroke Helpline: **0303 3033 100**.