

THospice Volunteer – Night Sitter for Patient with altered behaviours / dementia that are particularly active at night time.

Key Responsibilities

Support for Patients

- Offer companionship through conversation, reading, listening, or simply being present.

Role Description

- The purpose of this volunteer role is to actively champion the charity's behaviour framework, values, vision, and success.

Key Tasks

- Provide emotional comfort and reassurance in a calm, respectful manner.
- Assist with light activities such as playing music, helping with letter writing, or supporting hobbies the patient enjoys.
- Maintain patient dignity, privacy, and independence at all times.
- Help with offering and serving snacks / drinks.
- Work collaboratively with nurses, healthcare assistants, and other volunteers.
- Attend required training sessions, including safeguarding, confidentiality, and communication skills.
- Follow hospice policies on infection control, boundaries, and patient confidentiality.
- Report any concerns promptly to the Nurse working with the patient.

To carry out all duties in accordance with the law, the Hospice philosophy, and the Hospice policy on equality of opportunity and diversity and collective responsibility

The above is indicative of the current responsibilities of the post which may change from time to time in consultation with the post holder in line with the service need.

Responsible to: Line Manager

Location: North Yorkshire Hospice Care sites

Person Specification

Education/Qualifications

Basic Education

Experience

Life Skills
Caring for others

Knowledge/Skills

- Understanding of Dementia and its effects on behaviours
- Understanding of Professional boundaries
- Understand own limitations

Attributes

- Calm
- Caring
- Patience
- Excellent Communication Skills