

Hospice Volunteering Opportunities



*Care for the child,
support for the family*

Acorns values volunteers and recognise the diverse support that they bring. All volunteering roles compliment and enhance the support Acorns can offer.

Role Title	In-house Befriending Support Volunteer
Supervision	<p>Nurse in charge is responsible for day to day supervision.</p> <p>The volunteer manager is responsible for ensuring support and supervision for all volunteers and is available to offer advice and support to both volunteers and staff.</p>
Expenses	Volunteers are entitled to claim for out of pocket expenses, these must be agreed by Volunteer Manager.
Task	<p>To enhance the quality of stay for our children, young people and families;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Befriending for in-house children, young people and siblings• Providing one to one and group activities• Art & craft• Reading• Music• Companionship• To have fun!• Other activities as agreed
Training and support	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acorns Volunteer Induction• Acorns Befriending Training or Equivalent• Support and information meetings
Skills and Qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Positive and enthusiastic outlook• Good interpersonal skills• Good listening skills• Welcoming and friendly• Enjoys working in a team• Organised• Ability to use initiative when taking on tasks• Reliable• Sensitivity to the needs of our children, young people and families.• An understanding of the importance of confidentiality, boundaries and safeguarding within Acorns• Willingness to gain knowledge and understanding of Acorns• Continuously promoting an awareness of Acorns
Time commitment	Minimum 2 hour sessions, exact support discussed and agreed with Hospice Volunteers Manager