

Volunteer Complementary Therapist

St Teresa's Hospice, Darlington is seeking volunteer applicants to work with our complementary therapy team.

Minimum commitment 4-6 hours per week

Available locations: St Teresa's Hospice

Organisation: St Teresa's Hospice (independent registered charity)

We are a forward thinking, inclusive registered Charity with inpatient, outpatient and community services, providing care and support to palliative patients and their families in their own homes and at St Teresa's Hospice.

You should be able to commit to a minimum of 4-6 hrs per week over 1 or 2 days per week, between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm Monday to Friday

Complementary Therapies are widely used in palliative and end-of-life care, and, with an experienced therapist are safe, enjoyable and beneficial to many patients living with a life limiting diagnosis.

At St Teresa's Hospice complementary therapies are used alongside conventional medicine reflecting our ethos of holistic, supportive palliative care designed to ease symptoms and promote general comfort. Family members and those close to the patient can also access our services with the intention of promoting self-care and wellbeing. The concept of self-care is also promoted for staff at St Teresa's hospice (and close family members) who can access complementary therapies at a small charge via our Meridian service.

Important application info:

Successful volunteer applicants are required to provide an enhanced disclosure with a check of the adult barred list. Disclosure expense will be met by St Teresa's Hospice.

Main duties of the job:

- Provide Complementary Therapies throughout the Hospice to patients, carers and meridian clients.
- Maintain accurate electronic records.
- Maintain a clean, tidy and safe Clinic environment at all times.
- Liaise with other members of the hospice and wider MDT.

Essential skills/qualities/qualifications include:

- Recognised qualifications in a complementary therapy or therapies.
- Membership of a recognized governing body or bodies.
- Abide by relevant professional code of conduct.
- Effective communication skills.
- Ability to work as a team member.
- Ability to work to a high standard with minimum supervision.
- Good understanding of the needs of palliative care patients & their families.
- Maintain professional indemnity insurance

Please see the task profile for further details, which is available from our website at

<https://darlingtonhospice.org.uk/volunteering/>

About us:

Join an organisation where we all work together for a shared charitable goal, with a community feel and an inclusive culture.

To apply:

You can download the application form at: <https://darlingtonhospice.org.uk/volunteering/>

Please submit your completed application form via post or by hand to **HR Dept, St Teresa's Hospice, The Woodlands, Woodland Road, Darlington, DL3 7UA**, or by email to hr@darlingtonhospice.org.uk

Closing date for completed applications: This volunteer vacancy advert will close as soon as sufficient applications have been received. Please apply for this role as soon as you can, if interested.

For more information about the role, please contact the HR Office on 01325 254321.

St Teresa's Hospice complies with GDPR during the recruitment and selection process. For information on how we process your data, please see the St Teresa's Hospice Privacy Notice – recruitment, which is available from our website at <http://darlingtonhospice.org.uk/work-with-us/>

St Teresa's Hospice has accreditation as a Disability Confident Employer. We are committed to giving opportunities to disabled people, and we encourage applications from all sectors of the community.



 St Teresa's Hospice | Our Values

Our Values are our core beliefs.
They explain who we are, how we work, what we believe in and stand for:

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A welcoming space

Creating a safe, shared and inclusive space where everyone feels valued and respected.
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Dedicated to care

At our very heart is holistic care, comfort and dignity for all.
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Compassion in all we do

Everything is centred on empathy, kindness, understanding and respect.
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Support at every stage

We offer assistance, encouragement and guidance to everyone throughout their personal journey.
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Excellence in everything

Delivering professionalism and the highest of standards in everything we do.