

## Volunteer Counsellor

St Teresa's Hospice, Darlington is seeking warm, empathetic volunteer applicants for the role of Volunteer Counsellor for those with a professional counselling qualification (either Accredited or eligible for accreditation with BACP) to provide a high quality counselling service to three clients a week.

Minimum commitment: 7 hours per week

Multiple posts available

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

Quality care and genuine inclusion lie at the heart of hospice care and are an essential part of our service provision.

Family Support and Bereavement volunteers work with the family support team to provide holistic, integrative counselling support to:

- people who are living with a life-limiting illness
- carers, family and friends of people living with a life-limiting illness
- people who have been bereaved as a result of a palliative illness

You will need to be:

- Experienced in provision of good quality counselling
- Supportive team player
- In good general health and able to give the commitment this role demands

You will need to have (skills):

- Warmth, empathy and sensitivity
- Understanding of loss, grief and bereavement and how this can impact individuals
- Good levels of self-awareness and the ability to reflect on own practice
- Commitment to ongoing personal development and learning

You must be willing to undertake Induction and other mandatory training, comply with St Teresa's Hospice Policies and Procedures, provide proof of ID and satisfactory references.

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

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

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

To apply:

**You can download the application form at:** <https://www.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](mailto: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 <https://www.darlingtonhospice.org.uk/jobs/>

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.