

# Living Well Facilitator Volunteer Role Description

Across the UK, our 270 local groups play crucial part in supporting people affected by MS. They provide sense of belonging, unity and friendship, and deliver services and support for the local MS Community.

As our Living Well Facilitator you'll help our Training Providers deliver sessions supporting people to manage their MS. You'll use your experience of living with MS to plan, organise, deliver and review the programme.

In this role you'll be able to develop your organisation, communication and presentation skills and share your experiences of living with MS with other people.

Most importantly you'll be able to support people with MS to live their lives to the full.

#### What the role involves

This role may vary depending on needs, but is likely to include:

- Attending training sessions to learn about living well with MS
- Meeting with training partner to plan and organise training sessions locally
- Facilitating training sessions with another volunteer or the Living Well Coordinator
- Liaising with the Living Well Coordinator to plan, organise, facilitate and review sessions as necessary
- Ensuring attendees and volunteers are safe and supported
- Communicating any concerns regarding any aspect of the course or attendees to the Living Well Coordinator or Living Well Lead
- Take part in mandatory refresher training

We can support you to develop the skills you need for this role, including an induction into all the areas outlined. You will have a chance to discuss your role and any additional needs with us.

### What you need for this role Essential

- Attend training and development opportunities
- Due to the nature of the programme, this role requires you to be living with MS
- Demonstrative ability to manage when and how to share your experiences appropriately
- Willing and able to follow our guidance and feedback and implement changes to practice upon receiving feedback
- Able to apply disability, equality and inclusion practices
- Confident using Microsoft Office, the internet and email
- Able to keep people's personal data safe

#### Desirable

- Committed to our values
- Keen to develop skills and experience
- Enjoys working as part of a team
- Has a clear understanding of our personal care and safeguarding policies
- Organised and able to plan
- An effective, clear communicator
- Comfortable speaking in front of groups
- Comfortable to share own experience of living with MS
- Positive role model for self- management
- Effective facilitation skills, demonstrating the ability to manage group discussions and covering course material within time allocated
- Previously attended a Living Well course

#### In order to volunteer in this role you will need to:

- Read through your welcome and induction checklist
- Complete a Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) Check. For more information, click here

## Additional information about our Volunteering programme:

When you volunteer with us, you join our powerful community of people living with MS, scientists, campaigners, listeners, organisers, ambassadors and fundraisers. Our Volunteering Programme holds the prestigious Investing in Volunteers (IiV) accreditation. This award recognises our dedication to ensuring all volunteers have an excellent experience – from when we recruit you, through supporting you to develop skills and experience, to recognising your achievements.

Our shared commitments help keep our Volunteering Programme enjoyable, meaningful and safe for everyone.

Download Our Commitments here.