

FAMILY MEMBER ROLE DESCRIPTION

Family Member volunteers are an essential part of our events for **families of deaf children and young people**. We hold weekend events within the UK. You will **deliver presentations** about your **personal experiences of having a deaf child** in your family and **facilitate group discussions** with families who attend our Family Programme events so you need to be **enthusiastic** and **personable**!

About you

- Aged 18 years or over
- Have a deaf child in your family
- Willing to speak to families of deaf children and young people about your personal experiences of having a deaf child in your family
- Prepared to answer questions that families may have about your personal experiences
- Willing to travel within the UK

What you will do

- Deliver presentations and facilitate group discussions effectively
- Be a positive role model
- Adapt your presentation delivery and facilitation styles to meet the needs of families
- Create an open and supportive environment where families feel comfortable sharing their experiences
- Be responsible for the quality of your volunteering and for yourself as part of a team
- Follow policies relevant to your role

When you can volunteer

- Events take place during weekends

Training

Before volunteering within this role, you need to attend a 'Being a Presenter' training event. Topics covered include:

- An overview of our Family Programme
- Presentation skills and practice
- Facilitation skills
- Communication and Deaf Awareness
- Informed Choice
- Safeguarding and Child Protection



We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. You will be asked to provide references and complete a work and life activity record. Travel will be provided and accommodation and meals will be provided during training events. We expect you to travel by public transport. Accommodation will be in shared rooms with same-sex volunteers. Agreed out-of-pocket expenses will be reimbursed.