

## Volunteer Role Description

### Driver

#### Community Nursing Teams (North & South Kirklees)

Bases to pick-up from/drop-off at include:

**North:** Batley Health Centre, Dewsbury Health Centre, Eddercliffe Health Centre (Liversedge) and Ravensthorpe Health Centre

**South:** Fartown Health Centre, Holme Valley Memorial Hospital (Holmfirth), Mill Hill Health Centre (Dalton), Newsome GP Surgery and Skelmanthorpe Health Centre

**Restrictions:** 18 years +

#### About the Locala Service:

Locala's Community Nursing Teams provide a 24-hour service, 365 days a year, caring for and supporting patients in their own homes. The team includes district nurses, community staff nurses, nursing associates and healthcare assistants. They work together to improve or maintain the health of mainly housebound patients aged 18 and over to ensure that, whenever possible, care can take place at home.

#### What You Will be Expected to Do:

Some of our new International Nurses need support when visiting our patients at home as they don't drive.

Using your own vehicle, you would be:

- Picking up a nurse from their base (as listed above) and driving them to their appointments.
- Helping the nurse to load/unload your vehicle with equipment needed for those visits.
- Waiting in your vehicle while the nurse carries out each visit.
- Dropping the nurse back off at their base.

You may also be asked to drive some of our other clinical colleagues, who have temporarily lost access to their vehicle (e.g. breakdown), to their visits, to ensure they can still reach their patients.

Visits will cover all geographical postcodes within North and South Kirklees, as associated with the bases listed above.






















#### The Difference You Will Make:

You will be helping us keep our patients healthy in their own homes and allowing our nurses to potentially reach more patients because they won't have to catch public transport (saving them time) and you will be freeing up other clinical colleagues (who may otherwise be transporting them) to see more patients.

#### Essential Attributes:

- Honest and reliable (**failing to turn up for a shift could result in patient visits being missed**)
- Punctual and organised
- Able to use initiative (e.g. whilst waiting in vehicle for nurses)
- Aware of the importance of patient confidentiality
- Sociable (friendly and approachable, confident speaking to strangers)
- Full valid driving licence (willing to disclose any penalty points)
- \*Appropriate and valid insurance cover
- Use of a suitable vehicle (i.e. roadworthy with boot space)






### Weekly Sessions to be Covered (*not necessarily all vacant*):

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Morning	 8:30-12:30	 8:30-12:30	 8:30-12:30	 8:30-12:30	 8:30-12:30	 8:30-12:30	 8:30-12:30
Afternoon	 1:30-4:30	 1:30-4:30	 1:30-4:30	 1:30-4:30	 1:30-4:30	 1:30-4:30	 1:30-4:30
Evening							





**\*\*You will be given 2 weeks advance notice of your allocated shift/s\*\***

**Minimum Period of Commitment:** 6 months

### How Locala Will Recruit You:

Application	
Informal Interview (via MS Teams)	
2 x Character References	
Enhanced DBS Check	
<b>**Training &amp; Induction</b> (online modules to be completed <i>before</i> induction)	

### What Will be Available to You:

Public Liability Insurance (covers 16 years +)	
Disabled Access	N/A
Regular Follow-up Visits (every 6 months minimum)	
Out-of-Pocket Expenses (48p per mile for journeys including passengers)	
ID Badge and Polo Shirt	

### Additional Information:

**^ You will need a personal mobile phone to use in the case of an emergency whilst waiting for a nurse to complete their visit, and also be willing to install the free Lone Worker App on your device.**

**\*Insurance:** Because you will be using your own vehicle you are advised to inform your insurance company. Most companies will consider your volunteering as a 'leisure activity' but some may consider it as 'business use'. To be on the safe side, it is best to speak to them and explain what you are doing as a volunteer. Unfortunately, Locala cannot insure your car, or you to drive it, whilst you are volunteering for us.

**\*\*Training:** Additional support is available if required. If you don't have access to a computer, a paper version of the modules and assessments can be provided. In addition, volunteer drivers will also need to complete Conflict Resolution Training and Lone Worker Personal Safety Training *before* starting their role.

### How to Apply:

Submit an online application at: [MyImpactPage - Application Form - Locala Health & Wellbeing \(betterimpact.com\)](https://betterimpact.com) Alternatively, a paper application form can be posted out on request.

Please call one of our Volunteering Services Managers (Heidi and Louise) on: 030 3330 9392, or email: [volunteering@locala.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@locala.org.uk).

### About Locala:

Locala is proud to be a colleague-owned provider of NHS community healthcare services. Our colleagues make key decisions about the services we provide and how we support our communities. As a social enterprise any profits made are invested into further improving our healthcare services and community projects. Visit our website for more details at: [www.locala.org.uk](http://www.locala.org.uk).