

Spirit of Salford Covid Response Volunteer (Covid-19 Vaccination Support)



Role Description

About the Role

Spirit of Salford Covid Response Volunteers are at the forefront of supporting residents and communities affected by covid-19 and it is a diverse and varied role. The most important resource for Salford CVS in response and recovery is to have a pool of volunteers to call upon to assist.

Purpose of the Role

The main purpose of the role is to support the Covid-19 vaccinations in Salford. Volunteers provide support by having conversations and giving reassurance to people who are attending for their vaccine. Many of the older people who are currently attending for their vaccine may have had little or no contact with people for many months and so having a chat can really make a difference to their wellbeing and brighten their day. The vaccinations are taking place at multiple sites across Salford. Sites include Clarendon Leisure Centre, Eccles Leisure Centre and Irlam Leisure Centre.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Welcoming people who are attending for their vaccine
- Providing reassurance to people if needed whilst they are waiting to have their vaccine
- Engaging in conversation with people who want to chat
- Using the techniques and resources from the wellbeing conversation training where appropriate
- Signposting people to services or activities where appropriate
- Reporting any concerns to the manager who is on duty

Health & Safety

PPE, hand sanitiser and wipes are provided. Social distancing rules should be observed, you will not need to have direct contact with anyone. A risk assessment has been carried out and all volunteers will be required to complete a self-assessment risk assessment before commencing the role. All health and safety procedures will be gone through before volunteering commences.

Qualifications

There are no specific qualifications needed for this role. Training is provided.

Training

- All volunteers will be asked to watch a short (6 minute) wellbeing conversation film
- You will then join us for a wellbeing conversation training session via zoom. The training is 1.5 hours
- You will receive a booklet and resources that will help you in your role
- You will be invited to attend a focus group 1 month after the wellbeing conversation training to share your experiences

Skills

- Your life experience, both personal and professional will be of extreme value to this role
- Excellent interpersonal skills with ability to communicate to a range of different people
- Friendly
- Adaptable
- Organised
- Language skills in addition to English would be welcome

Commitments

The role is flexible, we are looking for people to do half a day a week or more if you would like to. The vaccine sites are open from 8am to 8pm 7 days a week.

Benefits

- Active and sociable role
- Gain and use a variety of skills such as communication skills
- You will be volunteering within a team of dedicated people
- You will be providing vital support to the vaccination team
- You will be making a real difference to people's wellbeing

Support

- A member of our staff team will support you in your role

Expenses

You will receive out of pocket travel expenses in line with the Salford CVS volunteer policy.