

# **Volunteer Complementary Therapist**

### Harlington Hospice

Harlington Hospice is a community hospice serving the residents of the Borough of Hillingdon. We provide care for people whose illnesses are no longer curable, enabling them to achieve the best possible quality of life during the final stages of their illness. We care for patients and their families in their own homes and provide outpatient services via the Reg Hopkins Centre at Lansdowne House. Harlington Hospice also provides a lymphoedema service and a bereavement counselling service for adults and children. We work as part of the Hillingdon Care Partnership in providing therapeutic care for carers in an outreach setting.

### Role purpose

To volunteer as part of the complementary therapy team in delivering high quality, holistic care to the patients of Harlington Hospice and their carers, across all areas of care provision.

#### **Commitment and Location**

Ideally 4 hours per week of volunteering as a minimum.

Therapy is provided at Lansdowne House (Harlington Hospice) and in various outreach settings within the Hillingdon Borough.

#### **Qualifications**

Qualified in one or more complementary therapy

## Main Responsibilities

- Provide complementary therapies to patients and carers across all areas of provision in both individual and group scenarios
- Be aware of contraindications or precautions in relation to the patient's condition and can adapt the treatment accordingly
- Work effectively as part of the complementary therapy team and attend regular peer support complementary therapy team meetings
- Be responsive to the needs of service users by identifying need
- Keep up to date with developments in palliative care and complementary therapy and share learning and ideas with other members of the team
- Keep concise and accurate records of all interventions in line with Harlington Hospice record keeping procedures
- Act in accordance with the Complementary Therapy Policy and all procedures and protocols relating to complementary therapy

To apply for this role please contact us to receive a H4All Volunteer Application form:

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