

School Speaker Volunteer

Role Description

Team:	Local volunteering team
Main contact:	Volunteer Support Officer/Volunteer Coordinator
Reference:	2

About Diabetes UK

As the UK's leading diabetes charity, it's our job to tackle the diabetes crisis. We're here to prevent Type 2 diabetes, campaign for and support everyone affected by diabetes, and fund research that will one day lead us to a cure.

About the role

School speaker volunteers give talks and presentations on behalf of Diabetes UK to school students, and occasionally school staff, in their local communities, to raise awareness of Type 1 diabetes in schools.

Main tasks and activities

- Attend a school speaker volunteer training session to learn more about diabetes and Diabetes UK and help develop your presentation skills.
- To approach Schools and the Local Education Authorities to promote the role.
- To deliver talks, which are adapted to an age appropriate level where necessary, to students and be willing to deliver talks to teachers, in your local area, if requested.
- Present in a friendly and enthusiastic manner and represent Diabetes UK in a professional manner.
- Answer general queries and direct any medical or other specific questions to Diabetes UK or healthcare professionals.
- To maintain regular contact with the regional office.

About you

We are looking for people who are:

- Experienced working with children either professionally or in a voluntary capacity
- Confident at speaking to groups of children
- Good communicators and listeners
- Enthusiastic and proactive
- Able to work using own initiative
- Able to deliver at least one talk every other month



- Committed to support the work of Diabetes UK and represent Diabetes UK in a positive way
- Willing to attend all briefings and trainings related to your role

What Diabetes UK can offer you

- The opportunity to contribute to an important area of work which aims to better support children living with diabetes at school.
- Information and materials to help you carry out your role effectively
- Recognition of the role that you are carrying out in support of Diabetes UK Guidance, support and training
- An opportunity to feedback about the work that you do
- Reimbursement of out of pocket expenses incurred while carrying out activities, eg travel, lunch

Safer Recruitment

We are committed to ensuring that our volunteer recruitment is fair, safe and consistent. The recruitment and selection process must therefore be appropriate to the nature of the role. Some roles may require a more in depth selection process, for example those working with children or vulnerable adults. Your volunteering contact will be able to explain more about this.

This role will require references.

How to apply and next steps

To apply for this role, please contact your local volunteering team.