Here Comes the Sun 2016 - Volunteer with Tenovus Cancer Care this summer!

Tenovus Cancer Care
Neath Port Talbot Volunteer Centre

Features: Public transport nearby, Additional support needs, Training provided, Expenses paid, Group activity, Suitable for young people, MV award recognition

Categories: Community Work, Disability and Health, Advice Work and Counselling, Community Safety, Caring

Our Here Comes the Sun campaign will run between June-August 2016. During the campaign, we swap ice cream for sun cream & hand it out from our sun cream van in communities across Wales. We also attend events, schools & businesses to offer sun safety advice. And this is where you can help! Our staff are trained to have sun safety conversations, provide materials & capture data on awareness & sun behaviour. We’re looking for volunteers to support them by attending events in the local community. What will I be doing? You could help with advising, research or driving: *Holding sun safety conversations with members of public & our contacts *Researching events to attend within your local area *Publicising the campaign with local partners such as pharmacies, colleges & community groups *Handing out literature & providing sun safety advice *Providing feedback on events *Driving our sun cream van to events (South Wales) *Ensuring local businesses & shops are stocked with our materials.

Where

Premises type: Community based in your local area and at events

Public transport: Public transport routes will be available for the majority of events.

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Is this role flexible? The project will run for three months, between 1st June and 31st August 2016. Ideally you’ll be able to give at least 4 hours (half a day) per week throughout this time; however this role is flexible so if you can’t commit to regular hours we’d still love to hear from you. Please just note your availability on your application form.

Min hours expected per week: 4 hours
Min period of commitment: 3 months
**Checklist:**

- May have opportunity to use Welsh language whilst volunteering
- Group activity

**Skills**

**Requirements:** What skills and qualities do I need?

*Excellent communication skills to enable good interaction with others*  
*Good administrative and organisational skills*  
*Commitment and reliability*  
*Awareness of issues relating to healthy lifestyles*  
*A background in or experience of health and research would be beneficial*  
*A sensitive and caring nature when speaking with others*  
*The ability to drive would be beneficial but isn’t essential (you’ll need to be aged 25 or over to drive our sun cream van).*

**Support offered:**

- Induction  
- Peer support

**Volunteers will be carrying out the activities:**

- Alone  
- In a group  
- With paid staff  
- With other volunteers

What support and training will I be given? *You’ll complete training on sun safety prior to starting your role. This will involve attending a training session on sun safety and skin cancer or completing training using our Sun Safety pack.*  
*You’ll have a full induction and be supported by members of the Health and Wellbeing Team who will offer you guidance and support you in your role. *You’ll have access to our eLearning online training system.*  
*The opportunity to talk with other volunteer Here Comes the Sun Advisors to share information and knowledge.*

**Additional support needs:**

**Training provided:** What benefits can I expect? *You’ll receive training about our campaign and sun safety, which can increase opportunities for employability*  
*You’ll have access to apply for all internal vacancies*  
*The enjoyment of meeting new people and being part of our Research Team*  
*The opportunity to develop a range of skills*  
*You’ll gain experience of presenting to and talking with members of the public about health related topics*  
*The satisfaction of knowing you’re making a vital difference to people’s lives through the unique work of Tenovus Cancer Care*  
*Reasonable expenses will be paid in line with organisational policy.*

**Process**

**Age requirements:** 18+

**Selection procedures:**

- Application form  
- Informal discussion  
- References