



Branch/Support Group Chair Volunteer

Project: Branch and Support Groups

Supervised by: InControl

Where: Regionally based UK

When: 1 Day per week

Ataxia is an umbrella term for a group of neurological disorders that affect balance, coordination and speech. There are many different types of ataxia that affect people in different ways. Ataxia is a rare condition, with 10,000 adults and 500 children living with a progressive form of ataxia.

Ataxia UK is the only leading national charity for people affected by any type of ataxia. We fund research into finding treatments and cures, and offer advice, information and support to people affected by the condition. Our InControl team have been awarded funding from the National Lottery Community Fund to develop and support our ambassador volunteer programme.

Branches and Support Groups are run across the UK by volunteers and offer friendship and support to people living with ataxia, their families and carers. The Branch Chair provides leadership to the group and facilitates collaborative working across the committee to enable the group to carry out its work effectively. This could include regular meetings within your local community and fundraising activities.

Tasks for this role will include:

- Keep up to date about the news and developments of Ataxia UK and actively share them with the group
- Work with InControl team to organise and promote virtual zoom meetings through lockdown
- Make effective use of the skills and strengths of other volunteers so that the group has the greatest impact in your local area
- Engage with the wider local community to ensure the needs of the community is being met
- Be an enthusiastic Ataxia UK ambassador for the group, building its profile locally
- Lead committee meetings, supporting other volunteers to be involved
- Be a main signatory on Branch bank account (if a Branch)

We are looking for volunteers with:

- A willingness to learn
- Can be knowledgeable and friendly when representing Ataxia UK
- Good interpersonal skills
- Are committed and reliable
- Willingness to travel around where you live

What we can offer you:

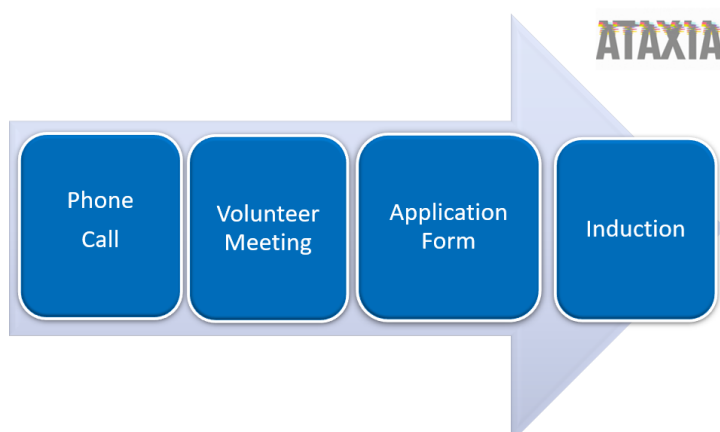
- Reimbursement for travel and refreshment expenses
- Induction learning
- Great addition to your CV
- Make a real difference for people living with ataxia

Your Availability:

- We would like you to be able to volunteer with us for at least 6 months, and able to volunteer for at least 1 day per week.

Recruitment Process:

We aim to run an inclusive volunteering programme. We welcome applications from people who have been affected by ataxia. Our process of recruitment is:



Further queries:

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Thank you for your interest in volunteering with Ataxia UK #InControl