# **Versus Arthritis**

#### **Volunteer Role Profile**

## Volunteer Ambassador Speaker

Time Commitment: 2 to 4 hours per month including supervision and

support

Staff Contact: Representative of the department in which you will be

volunteering

#### How you will make a difference

Are you passionate about your story and/or do you have experience from the arthritis health sector? Could you help us raise awareness of the work of Versus Arthritis? If so, you could be a Versus Arthritis Ambassador and you will play an important role in representing the charity at in-persona and virtual events, meetings and functions. These could include school assemblies, community centres, events, places of worship, universities and training events.

### What you will be doing

- Give talks which are tailored and meaningful to the audience about your personal experiences, Versus Arthritis and the work that we do
- Engaging and inspiring people to support Versus Arthritis, encouraging them to use our services and to fundraise for/get involved with our fundraising activities
- Attending events which might include for example, speaking to and thanking donors for their support.

### Where you will be doing it

 Face to face (we are asking if you would be willing to travel up to 30 miles in your local area), online sessions using Microsoft Teams or Zoom.

### Who we are looking for

Someone who is aware of arthritis and the impact it has on people's lives

- Is enthusiastic about the work of Versus Arthritis
- Caring, sensitive, and empathetic to people from all backgrounds
- Good communication skills
- Good IT skills with reliable internet access
- Reliable and committed
- Willing to complete training and work as part of a team
- 18 years or over.

#### What you will get in return

- Training and induction to prepare you for your role
- Access to ongoing training, resources and support
- Opportunities to connect and network with other volunteers
- Opportunity to develop and enhance your skills
- Reimbursement of reasonable expenses
- Opportunity to help influence change for people living with arthritis.

#### **Important Information**

Versus Arthritis is committed to protecting children, young people, and vulnerable adults from harm. As part of our recruitment process, we follow safer recruitment practices and carry out the necessary checks to ensure candidates are suitable to volunteer with these groups. Completion of safeguarding training will also be required at the start of your volunteering.

For this role, our safer recruitment procedures include:

- An informal chat to discuss the role, get to know you and understand your motivations for volunteering
- Two references
- Photo identification.

### Ready to join us?

We'd love to hear from you! Let's **make a difference together**.

