

# Laundry Assistant

## VOLUNTARY POSITION

- Location:** Peace Hospice  
**Time:** By mutual arrangement  
**Frequency:** At least one shift per week preferred  
**Duration:** Minimum six months preferred

### About Peace Hospice

The Peace Hospice cares for people living with a life limiting or terminal illness and supports their families from across South West Hertfordshire. We provide inpatient care, day care, an outpatient service, complementary therapy, a hospice at home service and family services including spiritual care and bereavement support. We have a team of dedicated volunteers actively involved in helping to deliver many of our services.

### Purpose of this role

The hospice has a small in-house laundry for non-patient linen. Patient bed linen is cleaned off site. Our laundry cleans; tablecloths, tabards, some uniforms and towels. The laundry assistant works in the laundry area which is a shared space with our flower arrangers.

### Main tasks for this role

- Sorting laundry into clothes and towels
- Washing and drying laundry
- Replenishing laundry stocks
- Observing practices to avoid cross infection
- Using washing machines and dryers
- Folding and ironing laundry
- Keeping the room clean & tidy

### Personal skills & qualities that you'll need

The laundry assistant will work mainly unsupervised and will need to be able to establish a practical routine in order to deal with the variable workload for this role.

- Ability to work unsupervised
- Sensitive to the Hospice environment
- Able to lift and carry large washing loads
- Reliable and trustworthy
- Good level of domestic skills
- Good communication skills

### Training

We're committed to providing training and development opportunities to our volunteers. New recruits receive general introduction to the Hospice as well as a personal induction to your role provide by your line manager. Additionally, we have a series of training courses that are tailored to each individual volunteer role.

### Benefits and support

- Reimbursement of travel expenses, up to an agreed maximum amount
- A named line manager who will provide on-going support and supervision
- Access to volunteer meetings and social events



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### What we expect from you

- All voluntary roles are subject to receipt of satisfactory references from someone who is not related to you and has known you (preferably in a professional capacity) for over two years.
- Some voluntary roles involving access to vulnerable people or handling of sensitive information will be subject to enhanced Criminal Records Bureau disclosure checks
- You should ensure that you can meet the physical requirements of the role that you are applying for.

### Contact us

If you are interested in this role and would like to apply, please visit the volunteering pages of our website. You can apply online or download an application form and send this back to us. Alternatively, please contact our Voluntary Services Administrator to receive a form by mail or to discuss this, or other voluntary roles.

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