

# Volunteer Role Description

## Driver



ReConnect supports people affected by **Stroke, Dementia, Aphasia,** and other long term health conditions to connect with each other. We facilitate a **peer befriending scheme** and **peer support groups** across Gloucestershire.

### As a Volunteer Driver, you will:

- **meet a person** affected by a long-term health condition
- **transport them to a peer support group**, accompanying them if needed to help grow their confidence.
- offer company, empathy and encouragement.
- support a person to become more independent by accompanying them on public transport if, and when, they are ready.

### This role might be perfect for you, if you have/are:

- a full clean **driving licence**.
- a well-maintained **roadworthy vehicle** you are happy to use for volunteering, we will ask to see a copy of your most recent MOT and tax.
- a **confident and safe driver**.
- empathetic and **non-judgemental**.
- happy to be autonomous with guidance from a key staff member.



- over 18 years old.
- **without a diagnosis of a severe mental health condition.**
- **reliable, clean and presentable.**

#### **As a volunteer, you will benefit from:**

- an induction and **on-going training**, covering safeguarding, health & safety.
- **regular ongoing support** from a staff member.
- **meeting new people** who have experienced a long-term condition.
- connection to your local community and **support/social groups**.
- being a valued member of an incredible and friendly team.
- **out-of-pocket expenses reimbursed.**

#### **Location & time commitment:**

- most volunteers commit to **1-2 hours per week** for at least three months to provide consistency for the person they support.
- timing and location are **flexible** depending on your, and our befriender's, needs.

#### **Application Process:**

- If you would like more information about the role: please **call 07935 810 160** or email [amy@reconnectglos.org](mailto:amy@reconnectglos.org)
- To apply, please complete an **application form** and return it to: email [amy@reconnectglos.org](mailto:amy@reconnectglos.org) or post ReConnect Gloucestershire CIC, 12 Dallaway, Thrupp, Stroud GL5 2EB



- A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check at an enhanced level is required for this role. ReConnect will process this with you for free.
- Once we have received your application, references and DBS check we will arrange a time for your training and match you with a person.