

Children in Hospital Ireland: Volunteers Needed **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/110300>)**



Volunteer with Children in Hospital Ireland

Children in Hospital Volunteers facilitate play and provide support to children and their families while in hospital. We are growing our team of over 300 volunteers nationwide this autumn with Play Volunteer training being held in Dublin, Galway, Waterford and Kilkenny for volunteer opportunities in CHI at Crumlin, Temple St, Tallaght and Connolly, Galway University Hospital, University Hospital Waterford, St Luke's Hospital Kilkenny.

Though there will be no training dates in Wexford, Sligo, Castlebar, or Limerick in this recruitment window, those interested in volunteering in these hospitals who may be available to travel to one of the above training days are also very welcome to apply at this time.

Commitment

Volunteers are most needed Monday to Friday mornings and afternoons across all hospital locations. There are evening and weekend volunteer opportunities available in many hospitals as well, with full details available in the online informational videos specific to each hospital on [Volunteer for Children in Hospital Ireland | Help Children in Hospital](https://childreninhospital.ie/volunteer-vacancies/) (<https://childreninhospital.ie/volunteer-vacancies/>)

Volunteers should be available to commit to 1 year of volunteering, and able to give 2 hours per week on a consistent day and time. Consistency is very important to our volunteer partners as well as to the hospitals and child and families we support with play.

Volunteer Roles

Play Volunteer

Play volunteers facilitate play, arts & crafts and more with children and young people throughout the hospital in wards, playrooms, outpatient waiting rooms, and A&E waiting rooms. More details on what play looks like in each hospital available on our website.

JustAsk Volunteer

(CHI at Crumlin ONLY)

JustAsk Volunteers greet families arriving into the hospital, walk them to clinics and ease their experience through chat and a friendly face. They also hand out colouring and activity packs in the waiting rooms.

Child & Family Support Volunteer

(CHI at Crumlin and Temple St)

Child and Family Support Volunteers offer additional pre-arranged play to a child and support a family when they cannot be present or need a break. Previous experience working with children is required for this role.

Training and Next Steps

To apply visit - [Volunteer for Children in Hospital Ireland | Help Children in Hospital](https://childreninhospital.ie/volunteer-vacancies/)(<https://childreninhospital.ie/volunteer-vacancies/>)

1. Watch the short informational videos about your local hospital including training dates
2. Apply online
3. Get in touch with any questions or support needed, including paper forms if required
volunteering@childreninhospital.ie (<mailto:volunteering@childreninhospital.ie>) or 01 290 3510

Child Safeguarding

Applicants will require

- 2 References
- Irish Garda Vetting
- An International Police Clearance Certificate from all countries they have lived for 6 months or more after the age of 16 in line with HSE policy

Region

Various Locations

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