

Patient Educator (as a Carer) Role Description

Aim of the role:

- To share your lived experiences as a carer to a patient(s) with long term-medical condition/s and disabilities and/or neurodiversity, to assist the education of future doctors in developing a person-centred approach to their medical practice, to benefit the lives of patients and carers in Kent and Medway and beyond.

Locations:

- University of Kent
- Canterbury Christ Church University

Commitment/Availability: Teaching sessions are timetabled Monday- Friday 9am-5pm during the medical school's term time. Events such as Open days and Student Assessment days may take place outside of these hours at weekends or in holiday times. You can choose your level of involvement and you can withdraw from the programme at any time by getting in contact with us.

Training: Group induction session to start in your role, and further training as required.

Supported by: The Patient Engagement Coordinator in your role.

Personal qualities and experience:

- Enthusiasm to be part of a community of volunteers and to interact with medical students.
- Willingness to share sometimes personal information about your lived experiences as a carer, maintaining codes of confidentiality.
- Openness to being involved in an innovative new programme.

Patient Engagement Teaching Activities you may be involved in:

- History Taking
- Patient/Carer Narrative
- Physical Examination

Patient Engagement Event Activities you may be involved in:

- Student Assessment days
- Widening Participation activities for young people (12-19 year olds)
- Open Day events
- Admissions Interviewing