

**SJS Awareness UK** is a not-for-profit organisation supporting those affected by Stevens-Johnson Syndrome (SJS) and Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis (TEN) which are forms of Adverse Drug Reactions (ADRs).

We are committed to

- ✓ support survivors and their families through their recovery process
- ✓ raise awareness of these conditions in the local communities and across the United Kingdom by disseminating valuable information about SJS/TEN to members of the public, support agencies and medical professionals.
- ✓ be a voice for the affected community

### **Our Mission is**

to bridge the gap for those affected by SJS and TEN through the provision of information and support from the point of diagnosis and through their recovery and adaptation process.

### **VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES**

We believe volunteering provides many with an opportunity to deploy their talents and transferable skills as well as develop new skills to enhance their careers. The contributions of various skilled volunteers is a valuable asset to the successful running of our organisation.

### **Our current opportunities are...**

#### **Advocacy Officer**

A Volunteer Advocacy Worker is needed to join our Advocacy team. An episode of

Stevens-Johnson syndrome is a life threatening condition and can be a life changing experience for many survivors and their families. Due to the rarity of this condition, many are left on their own struggling for support. Our advocacy team is responsible for bridging the gap for those affected by SJS/TEN.

#### Tasks/Responsibilities:

- Empower survivors of SJS/TEN
  - with information to enable them make informed choices
  - by signposting them to other service providers relevant to their needs
  - representing them where necessary
- Empower families affected by SJS/TEN
  - by supporting them as carers of a loved one diagnosed with SJS/TEN
  - with information to enable them make informed choices
  - by signposting them to other service providers relevant to their needs
  - representing them where necessary

to boost their confidence in supporting their loved ones being affected.

#### **Volunteer Campaigns Officer/ Fundraiser**

A Volunteer Campaigns / Fundraiser is needed to join our Campaigns & Awareness Team. An episode of Stevens-Johnson

syndrome is a life threatening condition and can be a life changing experience for many survivors and their families. Due to the rarity of this condition, many have not heard of this form of Adverse Drug Reaction though nearly everyone would take medications at some point in life. The Campaigns & Awareness Team works to ensure that though SJS might be rare the general public is not ignorant. The team also initiates fundraising activities to sustain the work of the organisation.

#### Tasks/Responsibilities:

- To initiate and promote campaigns to raise awareness of SJS/TEN on a local and national level
- To promote the work of SJS Awareness UK
- To promote various fundraising initiatives

#### **Management Committee Member (Trustees)**

The management committee is legally and financially responsible for overseeing the running of the organisation as a whole. Stevens-Johnson syndrome is a life threatening condition and can be a life changing experience for many survivors and their families. Due to the rarity of this condition, many are left on their own struggling for support. As a member of the management committee you are bringing your skills, knowledge and experience to ensure that SJS Awareness UK has a long term strategy and develops appropriate plans to achieve its objectives.

### Tasks/Responsibilities:

- make decisions about SJS Awareness UK's objectives, policies and procedures
- make sure that SJS Awareness UK is accountable to its members and to the community
- make sure that SJS Awareness UK meets the needs of the people it was set up to support
- making sure that money is spent properly and reassure any funders that decisions are being made by a number of people
- make sure that SJS Awareness UK has the right resources - people, equipment, premises, insurances and money - to get on with its work
- monitor how well SJS Awareness UK is doing its job
- represent SJS Awareness UK at other meetings, forums etc
- keep SJS Awareness UK within the law and provide a safe and healthy place for people to be in
- promote SJS Awareness UK and its work

### **Other volunteering opportunities include...**

- ❖ Web/Social Media Administrator
- ❖ Campaigns Officer/Fundraiser
- ❖ Advocacy Officer
- ❖ Trustees
- ❖ Graphic Designer

We would like to hear from you if you are interested in volunteering your time, experience and skills to contribute to the impact we are making in our communities.

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