

Volunteer Role Description

Role Title	Emerging Needs Volunteer
Department	Family Support Service
Location	Broxbourne/East Herts/Welwyn Hatfield – All Districts
Hours	Various – minimum of 2 hours per week
Main Tasks / Responsibilities / Activities	To support the vision of the Family Support Service in their work with parents, carers, families and Children (under 11 years)
	 To support Emerging Needs and Perinatal Workers with setting up for sessions according to (targeted) planning. To welcome families and support the engagement of both parent and child with the activities provided, role modelling child led play, characteristics of effective learning and positive feedback and praise. To support families to identify next steps for home learning. To work with Emerging Needs and Perinatal Workers to prepare/record sessions for virtual delivery. To work with the Emerging Needs and Perinatal Workers to set up/clear away and clean resources. To support with the recording of children's voice and outcomes for the family. To promote YMCA Family Centre values & ethos. Includes both indoor and outdoor activities. Other required tasks as requested based on your skills and experience.
Skills / Abilities / Experience / Qualities	 Interest in early years learning and willingness to learn. Knowledge and experience of working with young children and/or families. Ability to engage with families and work alongside them in a group session. Be friendly, welcoming and approachable. Good communication skills with conversational English. Reliable & punctual. Keen to work in a team environment to provide a targeted group for families receiving support via the Family Support team and Emerging Needs team. Be proactive & work under your own initiative. Non-judgemental and understanding of the diverse needs of children and their families. Able to maintain complete discretion in handling confidential information. Respect the Christian ethos of the YMCA & uphold its values.

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 A full induction to the Family Support Service and specific sites will be provided. Required to complete the following online training: Safeguarding Children & Young People; Safeguarding Adults; Fire awareness; Manual Handling and other relevant training. Plus a menu of training linked to the role will be made available To understand and implement One YMCA's Code of Conduct and Policies & Procedures. Ongoing support with regular 1:1 meetings. Opportunity to attend team meetings and events.
 Required to complete a record of monthly volunteer hours. Attend an initial informal interview. Undergo enhanced DBS check. X2 References required. Undertake additional training as and when required. Will my expenses be paid? We offer to pay volunteers' "out of pocket" expenses within agreed guidelines.

To express your interest in this volunteering role or to find out about other volunteering opportunities please visit - www.oneymca.org/volunteer Alternatively for more information, or if you have any questions please contact Zoe Sharp – Volunteer Coordinator – via email: wolunteering@oneymca.org Or Tel: 0300 123 7572 selecting Broxbourne District.

Come & join our team & help make a difference today!