

# MEDICAL SUPPORT VOLUNTEER



Medical Volunteers play a vital role in supporting young people undergoing cancer treatment by providing compassionate clinical care and first aid during therapeutic and recreational programs. This includes the professional management and dispensing of medications, including oral chemotherapy and narcotics, in accordance with legal and ethical standards.

## Duties and Responsibilities

Tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Dispensing medication as required
- Record medication dispensed and treatments provided as per policy
- Administer first aid as required
- Manage first-aid medical kits
- Securely store medical and consent forms (locked case provided)
- Identify and report potential risks/hazards that may impact upon the health and safety of young people
- Provide advice and/or information to Canteen staff in relation to the treatment of young people
- Liaise with relevant health professionals if a young person or member of staff is unwell
- Accompany unwell people to a medical centre or hospital if required
- Supervise young people during activities and assist Program Staff with general tasks.

## Eligibility Criteria

- A medical (Doctor), Nursing or Paramedic degree is mandatory
- Health Professionals will be required to provide their AHPRA Registration details
- Medical Doctors will also need to provide insurance details

## Personal Qualities

- Warm and approachable
- Ability to listen actively and communicate confidently
- Friendly and professional
- High level of integrity, honesty and commitment
- Highly motivated team player



## Hours of Work

Overnight programs run for up to 3 days (2 nights) and may include pre- and post-event debriefing sessions.

- Recreational and social events vary in duration from a few hours to a full day.
- Volunteers are expected to commit to the full duration of the program or event they are rostered for.

## Volunteer Commitment

- There is no ongoing requirement to regularly volunteer to remain active.
- Volunteers are part of a state-based pool, and Program Coordinators will reach out when planning events.
- Canteen values flexibility and appreciates any time volunteers can offer.

## Pre-engagement checks

As Canteen's work involves staff being in direct contact with children and young people, all staff, whether paid or unpaid are required to complete police and working with children checks, relevant to the state in which they will be engaged.

Canteen may conduct at least two reference checks on successful applicants and may also require proof of any professional qualifications stated on an application.

## Scan QR code to apply

To apply to be a Recreational Volunteer scan the code and complete the application form. You will then be contacted by the National Volunteer Coordinator.

