NHS

Volunteering

How to search for a volunteering opportunity using the NHS Volunteering service

This guide explains how to search for a volunteering opportunity using the NHS Volunteering service.

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Important: Go to the NHS Volunteering website to follow these steps.

To search for an opportunity:

1. Select the 'Go to search' link.

Search for volunteering opportunities near you

To search for volunteering opportunities near you:

1. In the 'Enter a postcode in England' box, enter the English postcode you want to use to search for nearby opportunities.
2. Select how far from the postcode you have added you would like to search for opportunities between 3 and 30 miles.
3. Select the 'Search' button.

Volunteering search results

This page explains how to use the NHS Volunteering search results page.

<mark>Important:</mark> Search results will include:

- Organisations who may have NHS volunteering opportunities available.
- NHS volunteering opportunities that meet your search criteria.
- NHS volunteering opportunities that could be carried out from any location in England.

To navigate the search results:

1. Select the 'Go back' link to return to the Search for a volunteering opportunity near me page.
2. Select the 'Change search distance from your postcode' link to change the search distance you want to see in your results.
3. Select the '**Visit organisation website**' link to view volunteering information on an organisation's website.
4. Select the 'Opportunity title' link to view the advert for an opportunity that meets your search criteria.
5. Select the 'Opportunity title' link to view the advert for a remote opportunity.
6. Select 'Other ways you can help the NHS' link to find out of other ways to support the NHS, for example; blood donation.
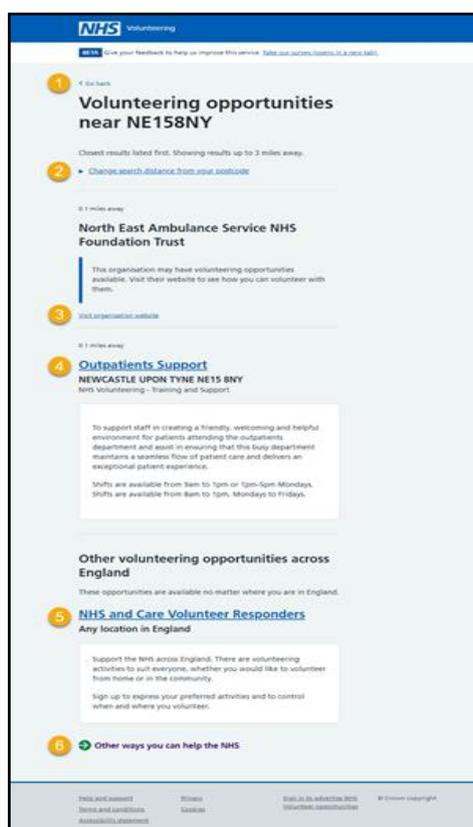
Change search distance from your postcode

To change the search distance from your postcode:

1. Select the 'Go back' link return to the Search for a volunteering opportunity near me page.
2. Select the 'Change search distance from your postcode' link and select how far from the postcode you have added you would like to search for opportunities between 3 and 30 miles.
3. Select the 'Update results' button.

Volunteering opportunity advert

This page explains the information and links on a volunteering opportunity advert.

1. Select the '<u>Go back to search results</u>' link to return to the Search results page. (Optional)
2. This shows the title of the volunteering opportunity.
3. Select the 'Register for this opportunity' button to apply for the opportunity.
4. This shows a summary of the opportunity to help you understand what's involved.
5. This shows a summary of skills and other requirements you'll need for the role.
6. This shows other useful information such as available shifts, where the opportunity could be based and who will provide support.
7. A summary of what happens once you've registered your interest.
8. Select the '**About organisation**' link to find out more about the organisation.
9. Select the '**Who to contact if you have questions**' link to see contact information if you have questions about the opportunity or your application.

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