

Volunteer Role Description

Volunteer role	CoppaFeel! Speaker ("Boobette")
Who you'll be supported by	CoppaFeel! Volunteering Team
Where you'll be based	Your community and/or online

Why we want you

We're the UK's only youth focused breast cancer awareness charity, and we're on a mission to get every 18-24 year old checking their chest. We do this because when diagnosed early, breast cancer treatments are more effective and survival rates are higher. **Early detection can save lives.**

Our volunteers are critical to our mission and help us spread our lifesaving message across the UK. **Join us and help end the late detection of breast cancer.**

What you'll be doing

The short one

You'll be giving presentations on breast cancer awareness to young people aged 13+. You'll also share your connection to the disease to help your audience understand that **breast cancer can happen to anybody**.

The longer one

- Visit schools, colleges, community groups and workplaces, and give educational breast cancer awareness talks, in-person and/or online
- Share your personal connection to breast cancer openly and confidently in front of audiences of varying sizes
- Share our potentially lifesaving message in a light-hearted and inclusive way
- Actively seek out new opportunities to give talks or hold stalls for young people in your local area
- Stay in regular contact with the CoppaFeel! Volunteering Team to discuss opportunities, report back on your activity and give feedback
- Act as an Ambassador for CoppaFeel!
- Attend annual top-up training and online learning opportunities to keep your skills and knowledge fresh

The skills you'll have

- Be aged 18 or over
- Have a connection to breast cancer (see '[who can become a volunteer](#)')
- Confident and/or willing to present to audiences of varying sizes
- Able to answer direct questions about your connection to breast cancer
- Good listening skills
- Proactive, seeking out opportunity to raise awareness within your role
- Organised and able to manage your time
- Able to have fun presenting a serious topic in a fun, engaging and empowering way

Your commitment to us

Volunteering is a two-way relationship. There's lots you can get out of volunteering with us and the longer you stay, the more you'll get out of it!

You'll need to commit to at least **one talk every 2 months** – that's **6 talks a year**.

Talks are usually on **weekdays** (Monday – Friday), between 8.30am – 4pm. Where we don't have many events in your area we'll support you to reach out to local schools, colleges, youth groups and businesses to spread some chest chat!

How we're flexible

Volunteering should be flexible and fit around your life.

Many of our volunteers experience ongoing health challenges, including active and ongoing treatment for breast cancer. Your health and wellbeing come first. We're committed to offering flexibility and adjustments to help make your experience with us positive and impactful. This might look like:

- Supporting last minute changes in your availability due to medical appointments and/or treatment
- Online-only volunteering
- Paying for an overnight stay to enable you to attend training where your travel is more than 2 hours (door to door) or due to access needs
- Bringing your baby/child and a loved one to our offices to support you to attend a training day

What you'll get out of it

- Join a community of other young people impacted by breast cancer
- Learn new skills for your CV like public speaking
- We'll pay back all reasonable travel costs you have while volunteering
- Tailored training, merch and equipment
- Invitations to exclusive talks and events led by experts
- A place at our annual community day for volunteers to connect
- The chance to take part in press and media opportunities with brands, including our brand partners
- Free access to our 'Storyteller Wellbeing' scheme, including 1:1 and group coaching to prioritise your mind while volunteering with us
- The opportunity to wear your own giant boob costume to grab people's attention (trust us, it works BIG time).
- You'll be making a real impact to the habits of young people and potentially saving lives in the process

What can I expect?

Once shortlisted you'll be invited to an informal chat and will need to give contact details for two references. This could be an employer, community leader or friend. You'll be invited to complete our online learning following by a full day of training where you'll meet your fellow volunteers-in-training! Before you start volunteering you'll give a practice talk to a member of our team where you'll get feedback and be signed off to give talks 'in the wild' (we don't bite, promise).

Who can become a volunteer speaker?

*Our volunteers have all been impacted by breast cancer in some way **by the age of 40**. That includes:

- Personal diagnosis of breast cancer
- Genetic connection e.g. changed BRCA gene
- Breast cancer scare e.g. found a benign lump
- Preventative or risk-reducing surgery e.g. a double mastectomy
- Friend or family member diagnosed with breast cancer aged 40 or under OR you were aged 40 or under at the time of their diagnosis and/or treatment

To read more about our age criteria, [visit our FAQs](#).