



What we'd love you to do

The Mencap visiting service (MVS) was launched in **1963** as a befriending service to adults with a learning disability after their parents pass away.

We currently support over 300 people of all ages across England and Wales. MVS volunteers reduce social isolation, expand networks and build friendships.

Each volunteer is matched with someone to visit 6 times per year. All volunteers are supported by a Volunteer Services Coordinator.



We are looking for a fun and confident volunteer to visit a gentleman in his early 60s who lives in Chester. This man has learning disabilities and is looking to get out into his local community for some fun days out. He enjoys colouring in, chocolates, and a kick around with a football if the weather is nice. By accompanying him, you will enable him to spend time doing things he loves. This gentleman uses some verbal communication and will build a friendship with you over the course of a few visits.

If you don't have experience with learning disabilities but would like to find out more please email us or apply and we'll be in touch to talk about the role in more detail. Visits will last a couple of hours to a half day, depending on what you do together. There are 6 flexible visits a year required for this role, so it's perfect even if you already work full time.

**Adventures
Visiting
Volunteer in
Chester,
Cheshire**

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"Listening, supporting and including one another is a vital part of working in our team."

Dean



**About you –
Fun, confident
and supportive**

What can you expect from us:

- Personalised training and induction
- To feel fully supported in your role
- Agreed out-of-pocket expenses to be reimbursed (e.g. travel, a meal out with the person you visit)
- Meet new people
- Learn new skills
- Feel appreciated and valued
- You will be making a huge difference!

What skills do I need to have:

This role would be great for you if you would like to build a supportive friendship with someone you share interests with.

For this role we ask that you are:

- 18 or over
- Friendly and approachable
- Reliable and patient
- Able to use initiative
- Accepting of others who might be different to yourself
- Have good communication and listening skills
- You will need to provide 2 references before you start

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"The right attitude and living our values is really important. You need to be willing to learn, grow and change for yourself and for Mencap's future." Dean

Who you will be interacting with:

Their home
and
support
staff

The person
you will be
visiting

Volunteer
Services
Coordinator



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volunteers think

Mencap's values describe who we aspire to be and what we stand for. It is important that you show these five values whilst volunteering.

We are
Passionate
about making
the world a
better place

We are
Inclusive
of everyone

We are
Brave
we challenge
and try new
things

We are
Positive
in our work
and with each
other

We are
Kind
to everyone