**Volunteer Role Task Description:** Nightlife Harm Reduction Volunteers (Peer Educators)

This role is for volunteers interested in delivering harm reduction information and support at clubs, bars, festivals, dance music events, parties, health fairs and other venues across Scotland.

There’s always plenty of opportunities throughout the year so we ask that volunteers are available to help with *a minimum of 2* NLHR events a year.

**Main Duties:**

* Welcoming everyone that approaches our information table or chill-out space and offering them assistance if required without judgement.
* Monitoring queues at events with a co-worker to identify anyone who might benefit from a wellbeing check, help or support.
* Providing people with accurate and non-judgemental harm reduction information and advice around drugs and sexual health.
* Providing people accessing our space with their choice of resources, such as condoms and other safer sex products, drugs harm reduction information cards and leaflets about suitable support services.
* Assisting with recording numbers of visitors and harm reduction interventions.
* Passing on enquiries to a Coordinator/ Nightlife Harm Reduction shift manager, or another volunteer, where more specialised knowledge is needed, or helping the person seeking assistance search for relevant information using the internet or Crew’s resources.
* If you feel confident and safe to do so, appropriately, positively challenging any aggression, prejudice, or discriminatory language; drawing on our Crew values. We’d always recommend seeking help from a member of staff if you don’t feel safe or confident to challenge behaviour, and we will support you fully.
* Adhering to Crew’s policies, including around confidentiality, safeguarding and avoiding ever working alone with a member of the public.
* Keeping a professional boundary between you and people accessing Crew’s spaces, including not disclosing information about your own drug taking or sex life.
* Providing support and crisis intervention services as required.
* Inputting data after events.
* Organising equipment and helping to set it up before events and take it down afterwards.

**Training provided (core and additional):**

We encourage volunteers looking to help with Crew NLHR to attend all induction training sessions and as much CPD as possible, to ensure you are up to date on harm reduction knowledge and practice.

* Crew’s history and harm reduction philosophy
* Drugs awareness
* The C:Card scheme (NHS Lothian)
* Peer support skills
* Crisis intervention
* Sexual health
* Confidentiality
* Equality and Justice

**Person Specification**

This role requires:

* Reliability and accountability, working to uphold our Crew values
* Friendliness
* Trustworthiness
* Working positively as part of a small team
* Working un-social hours and travelling outside Edinburgh
* Please note: You will be offered support and supervision on a 6 monthly basis (though S&S can be requested to happen at any time it is needed).