



Could you help your hospital and become a Trustee?

The Friends of York Hospitals is a registered charity and was founded in 1953. There are currently seven Trustees who make up the Board of Trustees and it is keen to expand. The role requires a time commitment of a minimum of 2 hours a month for trustee meetings, as well as some intermittent time commitments for fundraising activities and contributing to discussion papers. The meetings are usually held in the hospital, but owing to the current pandemic, these are being carried out online.

The charity has two main roles:

- To provide volunteers in the hospital. Each volunteer helps the patients and also supports the staff at York Hospital as well as at two small rehabilitation hospitals for elderly patients, St Helens and White Cross Court.
- To raise money. The charity fundraises to buy specialist equipment for the benefit of patients and their families.

Main duties and responsibilities:

- Ensuring that the Friends of York Hospitals is compliant with its constitution.
- Ensuring the sound financial position of the charity and ensuring that the charity operates within the bounds of its means and aims.
- Ensuring transparency of the Charity's finances, as well as maintaining accountability for everyday financial management.
- Supporting the progress and evolution of the Charity by taking ownership of a range of projects.

All applicants must understand and accept their responsibilities and liabilities as a Trustee and act in the best interests of the charity.

The Board of Trustees is particularly interested in applicants with the following skills and personal qualities:

- Effective communication skills and willingness to work as part of a team.
- Experience in fundraising and management.

Most people aged 18+ are eligible to become a trustee subject to references.

If you would like to support your hospital and could commit to becoming a Trustee, please contact our Chairman, Hussein Syed, at contact.us@foyh.org.uk.