Volunteering with Island Health—South Island Long-Term Care Homes



Volunteering is a valued gift and a privilege.

Volunteers of all ages and backgrounds make a special contribution to our residents by supporting their dignity, security and quality of care. Individuals as volunteers can apply their skills in a setting where all staff are involved in volunteer support and recognition.

Volunteers are an important piece of the health care team, and they provide residents with a caring connection to the community.

South Island Long-Term Care Homes

Glengarry Hospital 1780 Fairfield Road

Aberdeen Hospital / Piercy Respite Hotel 1450 Hillside Road

> **Gorge Road Hospital** 63 Gorge Road East

The Priory Hospital 567 Goldstream Avenue

> **The Summit** 955 Hillside Ave

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Become a VOLUNTEER

with Island Health's South Island Long-Term Care Homes







Benefits of Volunteering

As a Volunteer, you will:

- Receive valuable training
- Have opportunities to share your talents
- Be eligible to request an official letter of reference after completing 60 volunteer hours
- Gain experience in healthcare
- Be offered free parking while you are volunteering
- Make someone's life better just by being there!

Here are a few of our many Volunteer Opportunities:

Activity Volunteer – assist residents to engage in an activity or group (art, social or exercise based) at thesite or on a bus outing.

Social Engagement Volunteer – visit and engage socially with residents.



Support Volunteer – includes roles like info desk, gardening, shopping, admin, and recycling.

Site Volunteer – includes roles like accompanying a resident to their specialist appointment.

Therapy Support Volunteer – includes roles that fall under staff such as OT/PT/ SLP (e.g.: communication partner, therapy support, Duet Bike).

Entertainment Volunteer – play an instrument, sing, or join the sing-a-long group. We'll work with you to find a great show-case for your musical talent.

Application Requirements

We require a minimum volunteer commitment of 60 hours over six months. Volunteers choose a regular shift to fit their schedule.

All volunteer applicants must:

- Complete an application form and attend an interview.
- Complete a Ministry of Justice Criminal Record Check (including vulnerable sector check).Forms provided by our department.
- Complete online training and commit to yearly training upgrades.
- Obtain a flu shot during flu season (or wear a mask)
- Attend an orientation shift.

How to Apply

Please email VolunteerNow@islandhealth.ca to obtain your Application Package. After you have completed and submitted your application, you will be contacted to set up an interview for the South Island Long-Term Care Homes.