

## Our Services

### In Patient Unit

Our In Patient Unit is situated in the beautiful and tranquil grounds overlooking the River Foyle. This facility offers patients suffering from life limiting illnesses specialist palliative care as well as support to their relatives and carers.

### Day Hospice

A visit to Day Hospice offers patients, who are being cared for at home, a day of respite from their weekly routine. When in Day Hospice, patients have access to specialist palliative nursing care. They also have the opportunity to enjoy art therapy, beauty treatments, complementary therapies and a variety of recreational activities

### Community Specialist Nursing Team

The Community Specialist Nursing Team of specially trained nurses provide professional palliative care expertise and support to patients and relatives in their own home. Our nurses work closely with the patient's GP and District Nurse to provide symptom control and to improve their quality of life.

### Fundraising

Foyle Hospice receives approximately 30% of its overall running costs from the Health and Social Care Board. As a result, our Fundraising department faces a significant fundraising challenge to ensure the continued provision of high quality hospice and palliative care in the North West.

### Bereavement Support Group

A range of bereavement services are offered to both adults and children. This is to help relatives cope with having experienced the death of a loved one. Further information is available on our Forget Me Not (Adults) and Healing Hearts (Children) bereavement support services. Please speak with a member of staff for more details.

### 24/7 Advice Line

We provide a 24/7 advice line to patients, carers and health professionals.

### What Next?

**For further information please contact our Volunteer Services Co-ordinator, Sharon Williams, Telephone: 028 71351010  
Email: [sharon.williams@foylehospice.com](mailto:sharon.williams@foylehospice.com)  
Or visit our website [www.foylehospice.com](http://www.foylehospice.com)**

### Mission Statement

To provide compassionate palliative care to individuals with a life-limiting illness, their families and carers through high quality, specialist, holistic support.

### Vision Statement

Working in collaboration with our supportive community, we will strive for excellence and seek innovation in providing specialist, multi professional, palliative care to patients, their families and carers in the hospice and in their own homes.



# Join our Volunteer Community

**We need your help to continue providing the specialist palliative care to our patients and support to their families**

**Foyle Hospice**  
*Together we care*



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**For the Community, by the Community**

Our volunteers come from all walks of life. If you are available to commit to a few hours a week, or even a few hours now and again, we would be delighted to hear from you.

## Become a Volunteer with Foyle Hospice and enjoy:

- **Being involved**
- **Giving something back**
- **Meeting new friends**
- **Using existing skills/talent**
- **Learning/Developing new skills**
- **Experience something new**
- **Having fun!**

## What do we do?

Foyle Hospice is committed to providing the best quality of life for patients with life-limiting illnesses. Our service extends to offering support to relatives and carers.

We enjoy tremendous support from our volunteer community. Their skills, diversity, commitment and individual qualities complement our staff in making a vital contribution to the high quality service that we provide.



## Reasons for Volunteering

Volunteering is a two way relationship, but you only need one good reason to volunteer. We are committed to ensuring that every volunteer finds their experience rewarding.



Many of our volunteers choose to donate their time to enable them to support the good cause, to get out of the house and to socialise with others. For some, it is a means of continuing and/or transferring their skills or talents with a hospice and palliative care environment.



“Having been sick myself I wanted to give something back” **(Margaret)**

“There is a real sense of belonging to a team in working with other volunteers and staff, who are brilliant!” **(Monica)**

“I enjoy the banter with the patients and feel privileged to get to know them during their time here. Volunteering represents a new chapter in my life and I can see myself here for as long as I am needed.” **(John)**

“Volunteering has given me the opportunity to get back into the community after being away for 36 years.” **(Josie)**

## Where you can help

- **Coin Room Assistant**
- **Events Promoter**
- **Hairdressing**
- **Van Driver**
- **Flag Day volunteer**
- **Beautician**
- **Promotional stand/ticket sales**
- **Bag packing**
- **Complementary Therapy**
- **Weekly Draw Promoter**
- **Activities Co-ordinator (music/art/games)**
- **Building and Grounds Maintenance**
- **Shop Assistant**
- **Driver**
- **Gardening**
- **Events Assistant**
- **Kitchen/Dining Room Assistant**
- **Befriender**
- **Counselling**