

DUBLIN RAPE CRISIS CENTRE

Volunteer Recruitment Autumn 2022

Dublin Rape Crisis Centre (DRCC) is a voluntary organisation which works to prevent the harm and heal the trauma of sexual violence.

DRCC is currently recruiting volunteers of all genders to undertake training for the following services:

- ▶ Out-of-hours Telephone Counsellors on the National 24-hour Helpline.
- ▶ Support and liaison volunteers to victims/survivors in the aftermath of rape or sexual assault at the Sexual Assault Treatment Unit (SATU) in the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin.
- ▶ Support volunteers on DRCC's Webchat, a free and confidential online support service for adults who have been affected by sexual violence, which offers one to one support and information via online chat.

Information Evening:

- ▶ Two online information evenings will be available on **Tuesday 20 and Thursday 22 September**. These are purely for the purpose of providing further information to interested parties, and imply no obligation whatsoever.

If you would like to attend one of the information evenings, [please fill in this doodle poll](#) and select one or more evenings you prefer.

Training:

- ▶ No previous experience or qualifications are required. Successful applicants receive full training and have access to staff support and mentoring.
- ▶ We welcome applications from people from all sections of the community, irrespective of race, colour, gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, religion or belief.

Training Dates:

- ▶ Training will commence on Friday 14 October and will run over four weekends.
 - Sat/Sun 15 & 16 October.
 - Sat/Sun 22 & 23 October.
 - Break for the bank holiday weekend.
 - Sat/Sun 5 & 6 November.
 - Sat/Sun 12 & 13 November.

- ▶ Self-directed training elements and one or two mid-week online evening sessions will also be part of the training.

- ▶ A visit to the SATU unit at the Rotunda Hospital will also be part of the training.

Please note: It is essential that applicants be available for all training dates.

Applicants must:

- ▶ Be a minimum of 24 years of age;
- ▶ Have some life experience;
- ▶ Be fluent in English;
- ▶ Be able to attend all training dates;
- ▶ Have access to a good/secure internet/broadband service;
- ▶ Have access to a secure/private space in which to take Helpline calls and reply to Webchat service;
- ▶ Commit to one shift per week (four shifts per month), embracing all the different shift timeslots;
- ▶ Commit to attending a monthly peer support meeting;
- ▶ Be able to keep strict confidentiality about all aspects of the work and adhere to all GDPR requirements;
- ▶ Take responsibility for timely submitting of required data;
- ▶ Must live within a commutable distance of the SATU unit (SATU Only);
- ▶ Complete Garda Vetting, Children First and Safeguarding Adult E-learning training;
- ▶ Commit to a minimum of two years' service to DRCC's volunteer programme.

Application Process

Please note that an application procedure is in place, which includes a one-to-one interview.

- ▶ Applications can be submitted via the following link:
<https://forms.office.com/r/EquuaWnuUD>
- ▶ Closing date for applications: Friday 30 September
- ▶ Interviews will take place between Monday 3 October & Friday 7 October.

More information:

The Volunteer Services Department, in conjunction with relevant personnel, manages the recruitment, training, assessment and peer support of volunteers. If you would like to learn more about volunteering with DRCC, please visit our website <https://www.drcc.ie/get-involved/>

On completion of the full DRCC volunteer training programme, you can apply to volunteer for Court & Garda Accompaniment and facilitation of outreach awareness and information talks to community groups and young people in various settings.

Other volunteering options: We have other volunteering opportunities within DRCC that do not require training include helping out with our Fundraising and Policy work. You can email volunteerservices@rcc.ie if you are only interested in these types of volunteering roles.

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