

(Community) Chapter Community Outreach Lead

Volunteers play an integral role in delivering our promise of finding cures for Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis and improving the lives of Canadians living with these chronic diseases. As a volunteer with Crohn's and Colitis Canada, the impact of your efforts will be felt by the millions of Canadians affected by Crohn's or colitis today, and for years to come.

We are seeking individuals passionate about making a difference in their community to join a team of dedicated volunteers in the role of Chapter Community Outreach Lead

This role involves virtual and/or in-person interactions. Crohn's and Colitis Canada encourages volunteers and community members to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as defined by their local or provincial Public Health authorities. We take the health, safety, and well-being of volunteers seriously, especially in light of the fact that people with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis may have compromised immune systems, which is why we continue to follow the guidance of local Public Health authorities.

All volunteer positions at Crohn's and Colitis Canada require a conversation to discuss the role and your goals for volunteering.

Are you the right fit for the team?

As the Community Outreach Lead, you will provide support to the Chapter including:

- Adhering to Crohn's and Colitis Canada policies and procedures, including the Volunteer Code of Conduct
- Work closely with staff partner and Chapter Executive to implement advocacy and awareness initiatives in the local community and within the Chapter
- Build relationships with local community partners and venues (schools, Service clubs, Employee Health events, Health Partners) to secure opportunities for Crohn's and Colitis Canada to share organizational and disease-related information
- Participate in local, regional, and national advocacy opportunities (i.e. Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month) including liaison with locally-implemented advocacy projects like GoHere Washroom Access Initiative
- Participate as available on task forces and working groups on national advocacy projects and initiatives

Time Commitment:

- 1-3 hours per week for ongoing support and liaison with staff partner, Chapter volunteers

- Evening and weekend activity is required to attend Chapter meetings and capture high traffic times. Some daytime availability is ideal for liaison with staff partner (phone calls, emails)
- This role requires a commitment of a minimum of 1 year

What you bring:

- Strong communication skills, both verbal and written, and very comfortable with public speaking
- Strong ties within the local community are an asset. A desire and aptitude for networking and building relationships of various types. Responsive to timely needs and opportunities
- Ideally, experience in a Chapter volunteer role

What we offer:

- A community of support, a dedicated staff partner, a team of peers, and role-specific training
- An opportunity to use and grow professional skills, expand your network
- A hands-on chance to make a meaningful difference in the lives of people living with Crohn's and ulcerative colitis in your community

Crohn's and Colitis Canada commits to supporting you in your role and to providing an engaging volunteer experience. Your feedback is appreciated-

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