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**Broadcasting to Patients in  
County Hospital, Cannock Chase  
Hospital and Katharine House  
Hospice.**

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**HOSPITAL  
RADIO  
STAFFORD**

**THE VOICE OF A FRIEND**

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Do you have some time to spare?

Would you be interested in  
becoming a Hospital Radio Stafford  
Volunteer

Then Read on.....



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## What is HOSPITAL RADIO STAFFORD (HRS)?

- HRS is a Registered Charity currently serving patients in County Hospital, Cannock Chase Hospital and Katharine House Hospice. Our studios are in the grounds of the County Hospital.
- Our Aim is to help patients feel better by visiting them at their bedsides, and if they wish, playing their choice of music. Our programmes are tailored to patients' needs and provide local and hospital information.

## Do you welcome all ages?

- We are currently looking for applicants over the age of 18.

## Are there any paid employees at HRS?

- NO! All members are unpaid volunteers .

## What activities are available to me at HRS?

- **Ward Visiting** — Visiting patients at their bedside, explaining about Hospital Radio, and showing them how they can listen to us. Many members include ward visiting as part of their regular commitment to HRS.
- **Broadcasting** — Visiting the patients, collecting their record requests and under the supervision of an experienced presenter, put these into a programme which they help to present. Some people find this daunting at first, but quickly gain confidence: and it is much better for the patient to have the person who meets them on the ward, to then talk to them 'On Air'.
- Members are later given the opportunity to develop their presenting skills further and learn how to use the studio equipment, though there is absolutely no requirement to do this. They may go on to present their own programmes.
- **Fund-raising** — We are a Registered Charity and can only keep going if we raise funds. Members can help out in a variety of ways including raffles, charity stalls, collections and quiz nights. New ideas and donations are always welcome.
- **Technical Work** — A small group of members make up the engineering team. Their role is to look after the studios, from changing light bulbs, to looking after broadcast equipment and setting up outside broadcasts. Computers are key to providing a modern broadcast output and we are always looking for people with IT skills to help manage our network and playout system to ensure we stay 'On Air'.
- **Help out in our Record Library** — Assist with maintaining our extensive music collection.

## What kind of music does HRS play?

- The music we play is influenced by the requests we receive from our listeners and so our members need to be sympathetic to a broad spectrum of musical tastes. However, you don't need to be an expert in music as help is always at hand.

## I'm interested! How can I Apply to join!

- You will need to complete the Hospital Radio Stafford Application Form. If you require one please write to The Membership Secretary, Hospital Radio Stafford, Rear Lodge, Knight Avenue, Stafford. ST16 3QA.
- You can also download an application form from our web site -  
**[www.hrstafford.org.uk](http://www.hrstafford.org.uk)**
- All HRS volunteers are required to undertake a DBS check administered by the UHNM NHS Trust.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN  
HOSPITAL RADIO STAFFORD**