

Support Group Facilitator Role Overview:

The Support Group Facilitator plays a vital role in guiding and supporting group monthly discussions. This role involves fostering a safe, inclusive, and compassionate environment for individuals affected by brain tumours. The Facilitator ensures that all participants feel heard, supported, and respected, working to meet their needs within the scope of the group's purpose. Working closely with the Support Group Convenor, the Facilitator is responsible for:

Description of Duties:

- Guiding group discussions and helping members address issues or interpersonal difficulties
- Assisting members in accessing community resources
- Arranging guest speakers and developing weekly discussion topics
- Ensuring meetings align with the group's mandate and the Member's Bill of Rights
- Ensuring the needs of each participant are met within the scope of the group
- Reporting regularly to the Support Services Specialist at the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada regarding any relevant updates or concerns

Qualifications:

- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Effective problem-solving abilities and leadership qualities
- Comfort in guiding group conversations and discussing sensitive or difficult topics
- Ability to foster a respectful and inclusive environment for all participants

Special Requirements: Volunteer must be 18+ years of age and willing to undergo a vulnerable sector check. It is strongly recommended that volunteers in this role be health care professionals or studying in health sciences or health services (e.g. nurse, social worker, occupational therapist, social services worker, student in any of these fields, medical student).

Time Commitment: 5-6 hours per month with some groups breaking over the summer. A 1-year commitment is preferred.

