



Hospital Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer Role	Age Requirement	Description	Day/Time Needed
Advance Care Planning Office	18+	We need your help! Join the Aspirus Volunteer team by assisting people in the community with completing their Advance Directives/Power of Attorney for Health Care using an Aspirus form. This is a legal document that tells your healthcare team what medical care they do or do not want in a time of crisis. Volunteers assist with completing the document, witnessing the signature, and making copies. You would also perform other office duties as requested. Training and mentoring provided.	As needed Monday - Friday
Cancer Center	18+	Support patients and families navigating cancer treatment at the Aspirus Regional Cancer Center. Volunteers provide comfort and connection by offering warm blankets, refreshments, and a friendly presence to those undergoing cancer treatment.	Weekly Any afternoon Monday - Friday Noon-4pm Anytime on Fridays
Cancer Center Wig Room		Or perhaps you would like to assist cancer patients with access to and education on wigs, turbans, and scarves, helping them feel confident and cared for during their health journey. These roles require a compassionate approach to working with cancer patients. Training is provided. You will find either volunteer opportunity to be deeply impactful and fulfilling!	Any day Monday - Friday Per your availability Flexible 8am-4pm
Coffee Shop	16+	The Aspirus Coffee Shop is powered by dedicated baristas who bring warmth and energy to every cup served. Volunteers play a vital role by greeting customers, taking orders, processing sales, and assisting with general shop duties. Plus, if you wish, there's an opportunity to learn the art of crafting our delicious Starbucks beverages. All proceeds support Aspirus Volunteer programs and services for patients and families.	Per your availability Monday - Friday Flexible 6:30am-5pm

NOTE: For graduating high school seniors, all volunteer hours help on your post-high school academic application and can qualify you for Aspirus Volunteer Scholarship.

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Comfort Cart HIGH NEED	14+	Have you always wanted to be a ‘Candy Striper’? Our patients need you! Help enhance their hospital stay by providing comfort items at the bedside. A variety of items are provided at no charge to patients like playing cards, puzzle books, blankets, coloring books, etc. Your help will not only benefit our patients but the rewards you will receive are priceless!	Per your availability Any day Approx. 2 hours to stock the cart and walk the route
Eucharistic Volunteer HIGH NEED	21+	Holy Communion brings spiritual and emotional strength to cope with life and its many challenges. Hospitalized patients are in special need of receiving Christ’s presence at these times. You can help with this ministry by volunteering to distribute Holy Communion and pray with Catholic patients in the hospital. Must be appointed by the Catholic Church as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Orientation and training provided.	Weekly Any day Monday - Friday Flexible mornings
EZ Rider HIGH NEED	18+ <i>(Valid driver’s license required)</i>	Aspirus seeks compassionate and friendly volunteers to join our team as EZ Rider drivers. As an EZ Rider driver, you’ll operate a golf cart-style vehicle specially designed to help our patients and visitors navigate the hospital. Your role will be to provide transport assistance within the hospital, ensuring patients and guests reach their destinations safely and comfortably. Additional Employee Health screening required.	Weekly Per your availability Monday - Friday, Any time 8am-3pm
Family House HIGH NEED	18+	The Aspirus Family House is a beautiful, modern, home-like facility that provides temporary housing for patients traveling for long-term outpatient specialty care, as well as families coming long distance to be near their loved one who’s hospitalized. The house eases the financial burden associated with travel for our most vulnerable patients and families. Help our guests by visiting with them in common areas, assisting staff with changing beds, cleaning, basic household duties, etc. to help keep the house looking fresh, organized, well-stocked and homelike. Or, if cooking or baking are your forte, bring in homemade food for guests that you can make at home and deliver.	Weekly Per your availability Monday - Friday Varied shifts 8:30am-6:30pm Sundays Varied shifts 9am-5:30pm

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Food Service Cafeteria Volunteer HIGH NEED	14+	Join the Aspirus Volunteer team and help keep things running smoothly during the busy lunch time at the hospital cafeteria. Volunteers play a vital role in helping keep our salad bar and soup bar stocked and ready to serve. Additionally, restocking silverware, condiments, napkins, and wiping tables are also key to a pleasant dining experience. We'd love to welcome you to our team!	Weekly Any weekday 11am-1pm
Gift Shop	16+	We need your help! Join the Aspirus Volunteer team at the Aspirus Wausau Hospital Gift Shop. The Gift Shop is staffed almost 100% by volunteers who are fun, friendly, and great to work with. Help patients, family members, and staff find that perfect gift or item for purchase and learn how to use our cash register system. 100% of the proceeds from sales benefit Aspirus Volunteer programs and services for patients and families.	Weekly or Occasional Any day Monday - Friday Flexible 9am-5pm
Heart Institute Waiting Room	16+	Keep track of people waiting while the patient is having their procedure. Escort family members to conference room or education room to meet with doctor or view video. Assist staff with assembling packets or other projects as requested.	Weekly or Occasional Tuesdays or Fridays 7 or 8am-Noon Any weekday Noon-4pm
Lifeline Installer HIGH NEED	21+ <i>(Valid driver's license required)</i>	Aspirus Lifeline is an easy-to-use personal response service that ensures that older adults or those with disabilities get quick assistance whenever it's needed. As an Aspirus Lifeline volunteer, you will be helping elderly and special needs community members remain in their homes by installing Lifeline equipment and completing associated paperwork in the Lifeline subscriber's residence.	Daytime per your availability Any day Monday - Friday Installations by appointment according to your schedule
Lifeline – Replace buttons & batteries only HIGH NEED		You can also provide volunteer help by simply changing out Lifeline equipment batteries and personal help buttons for Aspirus Lifeline subscribers. Training will be provided for both Lifeline opportunities.	
Medical/Surgical Intensive Care Unit (MSICU) HIGH NEED	14+	Help out in a big way in a very busy hospital unit. Greet and assist visitors by helping them locate patient rooms, restroom or cafeteria. Answer telephone and help with small clerical tasks as needed.	Per your availability Any day Monday - Friday Flexible 8am-7pm

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Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Office	14+	Help NICU staff by greeting visitors and families in the NICU waiting room. Allow entry to the unit according to protocol. Assist with filing, tidy and restock family kitchen area, check refrigerator and stock/clean as needed, fold baby blankets, crib sheets, etc.	Per your availability Any day Flexible 9am-7pm
Patient Support Volunteer	14+	Make a patient's day by delivering flowers and their mail to them! You will play a vital role by delivering flowers, mail, and other comfort items to patients and guests. Assist patients and guests in wayfinding. Assist as requested with mailings or other projects.	Weekly Wednesdays – Noon-3pm Fridays – Anytime
Patient Visitor NEW	18+	Play a vital role in enhancing the emotional well-being of our patients by offering them companionship, conversation, and support. Assist with non-clinical requests like playing games/cards, helping with puzzles, reading to them, tidying their room, making phone calls, etc.	Per your availability Any day Flexible 8am-7pm
Pet Therapy HIGH NEED	21+ <i>(Dog must be certified by an American Kennel Club recognized organization.)</i>	Our patients, guests and staff need the comfort that sometimes only a dog can provide. Bring your certified pet to visit patients who would like additional social and emotional stimulation, visit our guests in waiting rooms, and visit with staff who love seeing furry friends.	Volunteer schedules their own time
Sewing, Knitting, Crocheting	14+	Do you want to volunteer but only from home? Do you knit, crochet, or sew? You can greatly help our patients by making items such as prayer shawls, pocket prayer shawls, chemo hats, stuffed animals, etc., as well as baby items all from the comfort of your own home. Patterns are available. Please help our patients by sharing your talents.	On your own time
Surgery Waiting Room (Day Surgery)	14+	Help convey the status of patients in surgery to waiting family members. Act as a liaison between doctors, staff, and those waiting. Keep track of family members and locate them when needed.	Weekly Fridays – Noon-4pm