

ConneXions

Are you interested in supporting other people with disabilities to take part in social activities?

The ConneXions project is looking to recruit and develop a team of people with disabilities who will act as 'Social Network Drivers'.

As a Social Network Driver you will receive training to develop your skills in setting up social groups and encouraging and supporting others to take part in them. You will also receive support and advice from staff at ConneXions to lead the groups and to encourage cross border participation.

Key responsibilities of Social Network drivers:

- To complete 6-week Capacity Building Training course
(this will include confidence building, personal development, empowerment, self advocacy and committee skills training)
- To link with other disabled people to find out about social activities they would like to participate in
- To work with project staff to agree objectives of the cross-border social groups
- To lead in setting up social groups/activities (e.g. cinema trips, outings, book clubs) which are open to a range of people with disabilities from both sides of the border
- To work with project staff to identify and overcome barriers which are preventing people with disabilities taking part in activities in their communities
- To work with project staff to produce an interactive website and news sheet
- To work with project staff to ensure the health, safety and well-being of all participants in social network activities

If you are interested in becoming a Social Network Driver, please complete and return the attached 'Expression of Interest' form by **21st January 2011**.

Return to:

Expression of Interest - please complete the following details

Name	
Address	
Telephone	
Email	

Please confirm you:

Please tick ✓

Are aged 18 or over	
Have a disability	
Live in one of the four ConneXions areas (Newry/Dundalk/Foyle/Letterkenny)	
Are willing to participate in Capacity Building Training	
Are willing to support others to participate in social network groups	

Please use this box to tell us about the skills you already have which would make you an effective 'Social Network Driver' (use an additional page if necessary).

Please tell us about any additional support needs you have (e.g. loop system required, information in different formats etc.)

Please tick days that you would normally be available for training:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday