







# **VACANCY PACK**

Join us as we lead the search for a cure.







# **WELCOME TO ARUK**

If nothing changes, one in two of us will be directly affected by dementia – either by caring for someone with the condition, developing it ourselves, or both. Alzheimer's Research UK exists to change that.

As the UK's leading dementia research charity, we're working to revolutionise the way we treat, diagnose, and prevent dementia. But we won't stop there. We will keep going until we find a cure.

#### Working for Alzheimer's Research UK, you can be part of a team that is:

- Funding world-leading research into dementia across the UK and beyond. Our Research Network brings together nearly 3,000 dementia researchers, to share ideas, collaborate and accelerate our search for a cure.
- Providing information about dementia to people affected and their families.
- Helping to improve understanding about dementia and the potential for research to cure the diseases that cause it.
- Campaigning to keep dementia research on the political agenda and working to ensure government funding for research is a priority.
- Building a social movement behind our cause, inspiring thousands of people to stand with us to find a cure.
- Providing operational support to enable the charitable objectives to be met.

Alzheimer's Research UK is a fantastic place to work. Our pioneering spirit is reflected in the energy and drive of our employees. As CEO, I am extremely privileged to lead exceptionally talented and passionate teams who have the ambitions and determination to create a world free from dementia. We exist for a cure and, together, we will change lives.

Hilary Evans
Chief Executive



# INFORMATION EXECUTIVE

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

#### Main Purpose of the Role

Are you a great communicator, passionate about helping people? Well-organised, with a keen eye for detail?

The Information Services team at Alzheimer's Research UK is responsible for providing information about dementia and dementia research to the public. The team operates the charity's Dementia Research Infoline and produces and disseminates health information booklets and other resources. The team also has responsibility for promoting research involvement to the public, actively helps people to get involved and supports the service Join Dementia Research.

We are looking for a confident, friendly and proactive person to join us as an Information Executive. They will be facilitating the day-to-day operation of the Dementia Research Infoline, registering the public to take part in dementia research via postal form and over the phone, managing volunteers' data and feeding into development of the Join Dementia Research service. The Information Executive will also play a role in maintaining the relationship of the partnership between Alzheimer's Research UK and Join Dementia Research. Reporting to the Senior Health Information Officer, they will support the team's Information Officers with the updating, production and dissemination of the charity's dementia health information resources.

This is a busy team, forming Alzheimer's Research UK's critical service function for the public. The team is crucial to the charity's remit of improving public understanding of dementia and contributes directly to our research efforts by helping people to take part in studies. The charity has a clear focus on improving equity in dementia research, encouraging people from all backgrounds across the UK to play their part in finding answers to our greatest health challenge.

### **Key Responsibilities**

Assisting the public to take part in dementia research through the UK research register, Join Dementia Research.

- Managing the confidential handling of personal data.
- Supporting the Join Dementia Research Officer, Join Dementia Research co-ordinating team and other charity partners on web development, communications, and data processing.
- Joining regular external meetings to deliver on the above objective and feeding back to the Information Services team to keep them informed of workstreams and new developments.
- Carrying out weekly call backs to new research volunteers and processing paper registration forms, ensuring our responsibilities within the partnership are met. During busy periods, this could include making up to 70 calls a week.
- Aiding the Join Dementia Research Officer in finding ways to promote the service to internal and external audiences to drive up registrations.

# Supporting the delivery of the charity's only public service provision, the Dementia Research Infoline

- Supporting existing volunteers on Join Dementia Research with tech issues, keeping their data up to date, and discussing opportunities to take part in research.
- Developing new ways to promote the Infoline, health information and Join Dementia Research.
- Help the Information Services team prepare to attend/present/exhibit at events.

#### **Additional Responsibilities:**

- Oversee mailing duties of the team, sending out information about Join Dementia Research and any health information requests.
- Help monitor in-office stock levels of our health information to allow other teams to bring our health information to events.
- Process data from website feedback forms and efficiently communicate any actions to relevant team members.
- Manage and add to a database of healthcare settings to aid with the dissemination of health information.
- Under direction from Information Officers, contact lay reviewers and gather feedback for the update of our health information.
- Undertaking any other relevant duties and projects delegated by the Senior Health Information Officer or Information Services Manager in line with the responsibilities of the post.
- Champion the principles equity, diversity and inclusion in all aspects of the role.
- Continuously develop professional knowledge and skills by on-the-job learning, attending relevant network groups, meetings, and conferences.

# PERSON SPECIFICATION

### **Knowledge and Experience:**

#### **Essential:**

- Experience of working in a customer facing role.
- Confidence working with computers good knowledge of Word, Excel and Outlook.

#### **Desirable:**

- Experience of working in an administrative role.
- Knowledge of dementia and dementia research landscape.
- Experience of working with people with dementia or older people.

#### **Skills and Personal Attributes:**

#### **Essential:**

- · Resilience for dealing with occasional challenging calls and a high volume of enquiries.
- A sensitive, empathetic and patient phone manner.
- A confident and friendly attitude.
- · Professional and hard-working team player.
- Excellent written and spoken communication skills.
- · A proactive, highly organised approach.

#### **Desirable:**

- Knowledge of dementia.
- Awareness of current topics around dementia and dementia research.
- · Appreciation of the emotional impact of dementia on individuals and families.
- A drive to develop role and learn over time.











## **WORKING AT ARUK**

In 2022, we were incredibly proud to be awarded a 3-star accreditation by Best Companies which recognises 'World Class' levels of workplace engagement and were also listed in the prestigious Best Companies lists:

- 48th in the 100 Best Large Companies to Work For in the UK.
- 19th in the 100 Best Companies to Work For in the East of England.
- 3rd in the 50 Best Companies to Work For in the Charity Sector.

In addition, we were also shortlisted for a special award recognising the work undertaken on reducing our environmental impact.

In 2021, we were awarded the HR Management award by The Charity Times for our Wellbeing initiatives throughout the pandemic.

In 2020, we demonstrated our commitment to changing the way we think and act about mental health in the workplace and signed the Time to Change Employer Pledge.

ARUK really does look after its people, where you will be able to add value and make a difference.

In return, you will be recognised and rewarded for your contribution, and be given the opportunity to develop your skills, knowledge and experience.

You will also work in a supportive environment where our culture is built around our Leadership Attributes, where we are all expected to:

- Act with integrity
- Be inspirational
- Be empowering
- Be aware of our impact
- Work in a collaborative way
- Be accountable













### BENEFITS

Alzheimer's Research UK would not be able to achieve its vision or accelerate progress towards a cure without the talent and dedication of its employees. It is therefore important to offer a range of benefits which are designed to meet both the organisational and individual needs, are market competitive and designed to attract and retain employees.



# HOLIDAY ENTITLEMENT

Employees receive 25 days holiday per annum, plus the Statutory Public Holidays. For every 3, 6 and 9 years worked, employees will receive 1 additional day's leave. There is also the option to buy up to 5 additional days holiday per year or carry over 5 days holiday to the following year. This holiday entitlement is pro-rated for new starters and part-time employees.



# **HEALTHCARE**

Employees are offered Private Medical Insurance, a Health Cash Plan, Life Insurance and Income **Protection.** Our **Employee Assistance Programme** provides employees and their family members additional support on problems which may be impacting their work/home life, health and wellbeing and is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.



# SICK PAY

We offer enhanced Company Sick Pay, where employees receive their normal pay for up to 13 weeks (65 days) of absence through illness in any rolling 12-month period. This is pro-rated for part-time employees.



# **PENSION**

Subject to the eligibility criteria, employees are enrolled in our pension scheme but can opt out if they so wish. The charity contributes 5% and employees contribute a minimum of 4%.



# ▲ CYCLE TO WORK SCHEME

Employees can purchase a commuter bike, clothing and accessories, whilst spreading the cost over a 12-month period and making savings through a tax break.



# **FAMILY FRIENDLY POLICIES**

Our Family Friendly Policies have been designed to support employees by offering different types of leave that may be taken. Subject to the eligibility criteria, we also offer enhanced pay.



# **LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT**

My Learning, Our Breakthroughs programme has been designed to enable employees to develop their skills, knowledge and behaviours, add value and drive organisational success.



## **TERMS OF APPOINTMENT**

**Contract Type:** Permanent

Salary: Circa £22,500 per annum

**Working Hours:** 35 hours per week

**Ways of working:** As part of our Agile ways of working you will be required to work approximately

2 days a week from the office, which is subject to the requirements of the role and the business needs. Flexibility on where you work can be split between working

from home and our office.

Roles that are classed as part of the Agile ways of working are not able to claim any costs for Mileage/Travel on Public Transport, Accommodation and/or Meals. This

includes when attending the office for various meetings/events.

## **OUR OFFICE**

Our office is at 3 Riverside, Granta Park, Great Abington, Cambridge, CB21 6AD.

Granta Park sits next to the River Granta and has its own lake and three woodland walks. It is home to a variety of wildlife and has a range of amenities to provide a convenient work-life balance, including Nuffield Health Fitness & Wellbeing Centre and a restaurant.

There is a good public transport system with a frequent bus and train service from the city centre and surrounding areas, along with a commuter bus service which picks up from both Cambridge Train Station and Whittlesford Parkway Station. The park also offers a free car sharing scheme and free parking.







### **HOW TO APPLY**

We value diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive culture where everyone can be themselves and reach their full potential. We actively encourage applications from people of all backgrounds and cultures, in particular those from ethnic minority backgrounds who are currently under-represented. Any offer of employment is however subject to you having the right to work in the UK.

As part of our commitment to be an inclusive employer and ensure fairness and consistency in selecting the best candidate for this role, your CV will be anonymised as part of the selection process. Should you need any adjustments at either the application or interview stage, then please do contact us at <a href="mailto:recruitment@alzheimersresearchuk.org">recruitment@alzheimersresearchuk.org</a>

To be considered for this role, please create an online account using our Online Recruitment Platform, via your desktop or mobile device, which can be accessed through our <u>Job Vacancies page</u>.

Once you have created your online account, you will be able to apply for this role, and can attach your CV. You will also be able to track your application, view other vacancies and sign up for future job alerts.

Your supporting statement should summarise the following:

- Why you are interested in applying for the role.
- How your skills, knowledge and experience meet the requirements of the person specification.

The closing date for applications is **30**<sup>th</sup> **June 2024**, with interviews likely to be held w/c **8**<sup>th</sup> **July 2024**. We would encourage you to submit your application at the earliest opportunity as the closing date may be brought forward at any time. Please indicate in your covering letter if you are unable to attend an interview on a certain date.

# **GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR)**

CVs will be kept by Alzheimer's Research UK in line with the General Data Protection Regulations. Although we will endeavor to consider previous or speculative applications where possible, due to the number we receive, we encourage you to regularly view our website for upcoming opportunities and sign up for future job alerts.

## **TESTING POLICY**

<u>Animal Testing Information - Alzheimer's Research UK (alzheimersresearchuk.org)</u> – Please see the link above regarding our animal testing policy at ARUK.

<u>Stem Cell Testing Information - Alzheimer's Research UK (alzheimersresearchuk.org)</u> – Please see the link above regarding our Stem Cell testing policy at ARUK.