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Remember what went through your mind when you heard the word “cancer”? The fears? The questions? The overwhelming feelings?

Only someone like you – a person who has been there – can help encourage others through what lies ahead.

You’re a survivor. You “get it” in a way that others don’t.

The Network of Hope (NoH) relies on *people like you* to help support and guide your fellow survivors and their families from diagnosis and throughout treatment.

What Makes a Good Volunteer?

Compassion. Optimism. Commitment. Resilience. Respect. A strong desire to give back.

Our volunteers also agree to:

- › Maintain confidentiality at all times.
- › Provide no medical advice or opinions of any kind.
- › Offer a healthy perspective on survivorship.
- › Comply with guidelines and policies of the Northside Hospital Auxiliary and NoH.
- › Participate in NoH meetings and conference calls.
- › Maintain good relationships with health professionals and community organizations.
- › Treat every patient and family member with respect, courtesy, and fairness, regardless of age, race, gender, disability, religious affiliation, or sexual identity/orientation.
- › Have received a portion of their care or have a family member who has been treated at a NHCI facility.

When Can I Help?

After your treatment concludes and you are feeling well again, you will have an opportunity to join the support system that is NoH. Becoming a volunteer is a great choice for providing support, encouraging others, and joining a community of survivors.

How Can I Help Right After Treatment?

You can volunteer with three NoH Teams:

- › **Community Outreach** – Prepare, distribute, and discuss educational materials at community functions and screening events.
- › **Special Events** – Assist with set-up and coordination of special events.
- › **Behind the Scenes** – Help prepare patient materials and Care Packages and provide administrative support to NoH office staff.

How Can I Help One Year After Treatment?

After you have had a chance to make a healthy adjustment to life after cancer, you can join the **Patient and Caregiver Support Team**. Members of this team provide support to survivors and their caregivers through phone conversations, hospital visits, or volunteer opportunities at an infusion center. Some of our members also enjoy working as a volunteer with the chaplaincy.

All of these roles allow you to choose when, where, and how long you would like to serve as a volunteer.

How Do I Get Started?

- › Fill out an application for NoH on the Atlanta Auxiliary website at northsideatlaux.com, the Cherokee Auxiliary website at nhcherokeeauxiliary.com or the Forsyth Auxiliary website at nsfaux.com.
- › Participate in an interview with the Northside Hospital Auxiliary Manager. This interview will help you determine what positions would be the best fit for you. You will also have a background check and a TB test.
- › Complete a phone interview with NoH.
- › Participate in Auxiliary training and NoH training.

Successfully complete these steps and you will become the newest member of Network of Hope.

Can you give back so others may move forward?