

## Call Out for care experienced volunteers!

### **Brief:**

Become is delighted to be launching a new service, focused on [supporting young people into vocational opportunities](#). The offer will include advice & support for care experienced children and young people and their supporting adults on accessing employment and apprenticeship opportunities, as well as bespoke help with job searching, creating or tailoring a CV/cover letter, applying for jobs and apprenticeships, or preparing for interview.

In February, when we launch the Propel Vocational information, advice and guidance on the website, we'd like to include a **series of 1-2 minute video interviews with care-experienced professionals from different sectors**, sharing their personal career journeys, along with tips and encouragement to help motivate and inspire other care-experienced young people towards their own employment and vocational goals.

We are particularly keen to have interviews with professionals from industries where care experienced people are under-represented e.g. media, film and science, engineering and mathematics (STEM) careers.

- ★ Please note that we may not be able to use all the material we receive, especially if we have more than one volunteer from a single employment sector/ specialism.

### **How to record your video:**

We'd like the videos to have a warm, informal feeling, like: 'we're just chatting on the sofa with a cup of tea', so please relax, smile and talk to the camera as if it's an interested young person. **If you do not feel confident creating a video yourself, please email [opportunities@becomecharity.org.uk](mailto:opportunities@becomecharity.org.uk) and Clancy can set up a video call, to record your submission together.**

- You can record your video message on a phone or laptop using the built-in camera
- Make sure you're recording in a well-lit area with a plain background (so that your face is clearly visible)
- Please film somewhere quiet (so that you can be heard clearly, we will add captions to the videos during editing to make them as accessible as possible)
- Please film the video in portrait mode (so that we capture more of you and less of your surrounding environment)
- Please answer the interview questions provided below and try to make sure that your video is no longer than 2 minutes long (if there is a question that doesn't apply to you, please feel free to skip it)

## **Interview prompt questions:**

Please answer these questions in your video, to help us ensure the interviews follow a similar broad structure.

- Introduce yourself (first name)
- What is/was your current/ most recent job role?
- What are the top three skills/ attributes you need to do your job well?
- How well did school prepare you for your next steps?
- Was there someone who particularly inspired you? Was there a particular person who lifted you up in your journey?
- What job roles have you had in your life? (To illustrate that career pathways are not necessarily linear)
- What was your first job in your current industry and how did you get it?
- What barriers did you overcome to fulfill your career ambitions (considering practical, emotional)?
- If you could give younger you one piece of advice, what would it be?

## **To submit your video:**

- Email it to [opportunities@becomecharity.org.uk](mailto:opportunities@becomecharity.org.uk)
- Send it in a WhatsApp message to +44 (0)7484044754
- Or email us for help recording your video over a Teams call

**Please submit your video as soon as you can, we will continue accepting submissions until we've covered a good spread of industries and professions.**

*Thank you in advance from Clancy and the rest of Team Become!*