

CORONERS' COURTS SUPPORT SERVICE

PROCEDURE FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS

1. Attend Inquests at a Coroner's Court to see if you would feel comfortable working in the Court environment. At the same time, we will be able to tell you more about being a volunteer with the CCSS and explain the procedure to you as detailed below.
2. After this discussion, if you wish to be considered as a volunteer with the CCSS, then arrangements will be made for you to watch how our volunteers help.
3. A formal interview will then be held to determine whether you should become a volunteer.
4. Attend the Part I Training as soon as one is arranged.
5. Meanwhile, you will 'shadow' an experienced volunteer several times to learn the procedure.
6. An experienced volunteer will then 'shadow' you until you are confident to work on your own.
7. If you are accepted to become a volunteer, references will be taken up and Police checks undertaken (*please note the applicant must have been resident in the UK for a minimum of 3 years*).
8. Start as a volunteer helping in the Courts.
9. During the 3 month appraisal period, attend trainings and/or supervision arranged by the Coordinator.
10. Attend Part II Training.
11. Final review and appraisal: It is then hoped you will become a fully accredited volunteer with the Coroners' Courts Support Service.

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