EDINBURGH CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL CHARITY

INFORMATION FOR ECHC VOLUNTEERS ON WHAT INFORMATION WE STORE ON YOU, HOW AND WHY

It is necessary for us to hold information about you, in line with legislation (the General Data Protection Regulations), for the purpose of you volunteering with us. We want to make sure that you are completely clear about what information we hold and that you are reassured that we keep this information safe and only for legitimate purposes. You are entitled to know what information we hold, why we hold it, how long we will hold it and how we store it; and you also have rights to see this information or have it corrected if it is inaccurate. The information below sets out these details for you. We would also encourage you to speak to the Community Fundraising Manager or ECHC Data Protection Officer if you have any queries at all.

Data Controller: Edinburgh Children’s Hospital Charity and its subsidiary, Task Trading Limited
Data Protection Officer: Andrew Innes, Operations Manager - andrew.innes@echcharity.org

ECHC collects and processes personal data relating to its volunteers to manage the volunteer relationship. We are committed to being transparent about how we collect and use that data and to meeting our data protection obligations.

What information do we collect?
ECHC collects and processes a range of information about you. This can include:
- your name, address and contact details, including email address and telephone number, date of birth and gender;
- the volunteering remit we have agreed upon for you;
- details of your qualifications, skills, experience and employment history, including start and end dates, with previous employers and with the organisation;
- details of your bank account and national insurance number;
- information about your marital status, next of kin, dependants and emergency contacts;
- information about your nationality and entitlement to work in the UK;
- information about any criminal record you may have;
- details of your schedule (days of volunteering and volunteer hours);
- details of any concerns or complaints in which you have been involved;
- information about medical or health conditions, including whether or not you have a disability for which the organisation needs to make reasonable adjustments; and
- equal opportunities monitoring information including information about your ethnic origin, sexual orientation and religion or belief.

We may collect this information in a variety of ways. For example, data might be collected through application forms, CVs; obtained from your passport or other identity documents such as your driving licence or other forms completed by you at the start of or during volunteering; from correspondence with you; or through interviews, meetings or other assessments.
In some cases, ECHC may collect personal data about you from third parties, such as references supplied by (former) employers, information from employment background check providers, information from credit reference agencies and information from criminal records checks permitted by law. However, we would only ever do this with your prior knowledge.

**Why does the organisation process personal data?**

ECHC needs to process data to enter into volunteering relationship with you and to meet our obligations.

In some cases, ECHC needs to process data to ensure that it is complying with its legal obligations. For example, we are required to run a PVG check to ensure your suitability for working with children and vulnerable groups if your volunteer remit involves this.

In other cases, ECHC has a legitimate interest in processing personal data before, during and after the end of the volunteering relationship. Processing your data allows us to:

- run recruitment and promotion processes;
- maintain accurate and up-to-date records and contact details (including details of who to contact in the event of an emergency);
- operate and keep a record of volunteer performance;
- obtain occupational health advice, to ensure that it complies with duties in relation to individuals with disabilities, meet its obligations under health and safety law;
- provide references on request for current or former volunteers; and
- respond to and defend against legal claims.

Some special categories of personal data, such as information about health or medical conditions, is processed to carry out legal obligations (such as those in relation to volunteers with disabilities).

Where ECHC processes other special categories of personal data, such as information about ethnic origin, sexual orientation or religion or belief, this is done for the purposes of equal opportunities monitoring. Data that the organisation uses for these purposes is anonymised or is collected with the express consent of volunteers, which can be withdrawn at any time. Volunteers are entirely free to decide whether or not to provide such data and there are no consequences of failing to do so.

**Who has access to data?**

Your information may be shared internally, including with members of ECHC staff if access to the data is necessary for performance of their roles.

Data will be stored in a range of different places, including in your volunteer file, in ECHC’s contact management systems (Raisers Edge) and in other IT systems (including the ECHC email system).
ECHC shares your data where appropriate with third parties in order to obtain necessary criminal records checks from Disclosure Scotland via the organisation Volunteer Development Scotland. In those circumstances the data will be subject to confidentiality arrangements.

ECHC will not transfer your data to countries outside the European Economic Area.

**How does ECHC protect data?**

ECHC takes the security of your data seriously. ECHC has internal policies and controls in place to try to ensure that your data is not lost, accidentally destroyed, misused or disclosed, and is not accessed except by relevant employees in the performance of their duties. Where ECHC engages third parties to process personal data on its behalf, they do so on the basis of written instructions, are under a duty of confidentiality and are obliged to implement appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure the security of data.

**For how long does ECHC keep data?**

ECHC will hold your personal data for the duration of your volunteering. The periods for which your data is held after the end of volunteering, for relevant statutory retention periods, is set out for you below:

| Volunteer information records | Seven years after volunteer leaves in line with supporter records |
| Volunteer accident/incident records | Three years as per statutory retention period |

**Your rights**

As a data subject, you have a number of rights. You can:

- access and obtain a copy of your data on request;
- require ECHC to change incorrect or incomplete data;
- require ECHC to delete or stop processing your data, for example where the data is no longer necessary for the purposes of processing; and
- object to the processing of your data where ECHC is relying on its legitimate interests as the legal ground for processing.

If you would like to exercise any of these rights, please contact Andrew Innes - andrew.innes@echcharity.org

If you believe that ECHC has not complied with your data protection rights, you can complain to the Information Commissioner.

**What if you do not provide personal data?**

You have some obligations to provide ECHC with data. Certain information, such as contact details, have to be provided to enable us to enter into a volunteering relationship with you. If
you do not provide other information, this will hinder our ability to administer the relationship efficiently.