### How do I become a Peer Supporter at PICuP?

Peer Supporters should be supported by their therapist when they apply.

They are also required to attend the South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust one day volunteering course and to undertake an occupational health and DBS check (formerly CRB check).



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"To tell your own story, just take a deep breath, look the people in the eye, and tell your own powerful truth from your heart as you know it, as it happened to you"...

Ken Braiteman

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## Peer Support and Involvement at PICuP

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Psychosis



Winners Primary & Community Mental Health Care 2018 We train volunteers who have had recent experience of receiving therapy at PICuP to support others to access therapy.

Our supporters are able to share their experience of therapy at PICuP with anyone who may be concerned or curious about what is involved in therapy.

They can also support people who have difficulties getting to therapy appointments by accompanying them on their journey.

# "If we can share our experience we can learn together"



#### Peer Support at PICuP

Peer Support at PICuP is a support for people referred to PICuP. The service allows people to find out about what therapy is really like from those who have already received it. Our volunteers can also support people to attend their therapy appointments and to access the community.



#### **How can I receive Peer Support?**

If you feel that you would benefit by speaking to a Peer Supporter prior to therapy or if you feel you would benefit from support to attend therapy, please tell the assistant psychologist at your initial assessment. Every effort will be made to identify a suitable Peer Supporter.

If at any time during therapy you feel you would benefit from support to get to your appointments, please inform your therapist. Alternatively, you can contact:

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