

Aphasia Re-Connect

An opportunity exists for a **speech and language therapist** to work in a **part- time capacity** with the charity, **Aphasia Re-Connect.**

Role: Registered Speech and Language Therapist

Hours: Up to 28 hours per week (flexible)

Contract: Self-employed

Reporting to: Sally McVicker (RCSLT, HCPC), Charity Coordinator

Application deadline: Wednesday 15th October 2025.

Aphasia Re-Connect is a registered charity requiring a speech and language therapist to work clinically but also with an eye to the wider needs of running the charity.

As an organisation we work in partnership with people living with aphasia and wider acquired communication disability. We have a strong shared ethos, working with people with aphasia to build on their strengths. They are our advisors, trainers, co-facilitators, peer befrienders, and colleagues.

Through our work we promote inclusion, participation and community bringing people together from all backgrounds. Everyone is different and has different experience, skills, and views. We foster a sense of mutual understanding and respect, even if we agree to differ at times. A desire to embrace conversation, understanding, and thoughtful intervention, working in partnership with each other.

We are looking for a therapist who shares these values, is excited about a different way of working, has skills that can contribute to shape a small and growing organisation, and who is willing to work part-time on a self-employed basis. Ideally you will be able to travel in and around London alongside working from home. Flexibility and versatility are an advantage.

We are currently operating a hybrid service of face-to face community groups and telehealth (Zoom groups and buddying) offering continuing support and enablement to people with aphasia. We like to work as a team, sharing learning, supporting each other, and striving for continual improvement in what we do:

- We provide a robust programme of regular and ongoing individual supervision with regular weekly supervision for NQT therapists to support them to complete their competencies.
- We hold weekly team meetings, either on Zoom or in person once a month.
- We have a commitment to lifelong development, investing in people to ensure they receive the training and support they need to continue their learning.



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Role responsibilities and duties

- A desire to be innovative, take responsibility and lead on new initiatives as appropriate.
- Support the planning, resources, running, and evaluation of virtual and physical peer groups.
- Supervise student speech and language therapists on placement once competencies are achieved.
- Support with any events and fundraising initiatives held by the charity.
- Work as an effective team member
- Work closely with other members of the team and to provide records and information as necessary for the Board meetings.
- Contribute to the overall activities of the charity as required.

You must comply with all Aphasia Re-Connect's policies and procedures.

Qualifications and skills

- Registered Speech and Language Therapist or be in the process of registering.
- Interpersonal skills and ability to build rapport with people from diverse backgrounds and with varied communication difficulties.
- Strong presentation and communication skills
- Good Communication Access and design skills
- Clinical decision-making with an eye for detail
- Facilitation skills /experience of facilitating groups with service-users.
- Prioritisation skills (in relation to caseload management and time management)
- Strong organisational skills
- Good initiative and problem-solving skills
- Ability to work independently, with the support of a wider team, and to take the lead on projects as required.
- Empathy and counselling skills
- Knowledge and adherence to relevant legislation and best practice in information governance, GDPR, patient confidentiality and clinical record-keeping
- Knowledge and adherence to relevant legislation and best practice in safeguarding vulnerable adults, incident reporting, mental capacity, and duty of care.
- Knowledge & understanding of Re-Connect values and ethos.



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Experience

- Experience of working with people with aphasia and acquired communication disability, with a desire and commitment to work within a life participation approach.
- A working knowledge of Word, Excel, Power Point; Zoom; and a willingness and ability to learn new software or skills, as required.
- Experience of running groups and working with others
- Experience of working with volunteers and students
- Experience of the charitable sector desirable

Salary & Conditions of service

- Salary will be £16 18 per hour, dependant on experience.
- This role is part time, up to 28 hours a week.
- This role is offered on a consultancy basis, where you are responsible for monthly invoicing and timesheets to the charity, self-assessment and payment of your own tax, NI and pension.
- All offers of appointment are subject to receiving satisfactory references.
- All offers are subject to a probationary period.

Deadline for applications is Wednesday 15th October, with a view to holding interviews on the 23rd & possibly 24th October 2025.

Applications via full CV, with covering letter and references to Dr Sally McVicker at Sally@aphasiareconnect.org

Enquiries to 07885 288943.