



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

OUTREACH & EDUCATION

Ambassador Board

Help raise awareness about vestibular disorders in your local and online communities. Sample tasks include creating a blog or vestibular-specific social media channel, distributing VeDA brochures, and reaching out to local, state and national media and legislators to share your story and VeDA's mission.

Virtual Advocate

If you want to raise awareness about vestibular disorders but don't have a lot of time, you can be a virtual advocate by sharing VeDA's social media posts and helping create online buzz for VeDA's virtual events.

Forum Moderators

Forum moderators oversee all forum posts for appropriateness and help refer people to resources, when possible. They help create a welcome and supportive atmosphere for open discussion.

New Donor Welcome Calls

Call new donors and welcome them to our community of support. People appreciate the validation and personal connection, even though most of the time you'll be leaving a message.

Patient Support Calls

Sometimes people just need someone who understands what they're going through to talk to. These are occasional calls to people who call or email VeDA for support.

CONTENT

Copy Editing

Are you a good proofreader? Put your skills to use by reviewing various VeDA publications, such as our quarterly newsletter, fundraising letters, and event materials.

Writing

You can help write and update website and newsletter articles, including patient perspectives and science-based overviews. Must have excellent writing skills. A writing sample may be requested.

WEBSITE & DATABASE

SEO

You can help design and manage Google AdWords campaigns and adjust website content to maximize our SEO.



Database Research & Cleanup

Help us keep our donor, member, sponsor, and other related stakeholder records complete and accurate. Involves working in an online database and/or spreadsheet.

DEVELOPMENT

Sponsorship Research & Solicitation

Identify companies that could be a potential sponsor for VeDA and research their marketing contacts. You can also get involved in reaching out to these companies to establish a philanthropic relationship with VeDA.

Donor Acknowledgement

We like to stay in touch with our donors and let them know how much we appreciate their support. In November you would help call donors with a message of thanks.

Events

Help us organize our annual virtual conference, Life Rebalanced Live, and other virtual events. Roles include stewarding speakers and patient panelists, helping with outreach, and moderating the “chat” during the event.

MARKETING, PR & MEDIA RELATIONS

Graphic Design

Are you creative? Do you have experience in graphic design? VeDA can use your help with a variety of projects.

Media Relations

VeDA is all about raising awareness. Help write press releases, identify stories, and prospect for media contacts in specific markets.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Are you social media savvy? Help VeDA expand our presence on Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, LinkedIn and Instagram. This may involve identifying content to post, curating that content, and/or creating social graphics. This is not a one-time or occasional activity, but requires a consistent commitment.

COMMITTEES

Communications

This committee's goal is to spread VeDA's message to a national and international audience. It is responsible for creating and implementing a communications plan, developing messages, maintaining the VeDA website, social media, and pitching stories to local, regional and national media outlets. Individuals with professional communications experience are encouraged to apply.



Community Support

This committee's goal is to create a network of support for vestibular patients and their loved ones by promoting the growth of local and online support groups. We do this by providing tools and mentorship to support groups that help them improve the services they provide to their community.

Patient Education

This committee evaluates VeDA's website to see how it can be improved, and considers other ways to reach out to patients with information on vestibular disorders. We expand VeDA's Resource Library with additional topics and explore other modes of disseminating information, such as videos and infographics.

Fund Development

This committee supports VeDA's fundraising efforts in many ways, including making calls to donors, identifying potential corporate sponsors, and organizing our annual events.

Medical Advocacy

This committee addresses changes to the medical system to improve treatment outcomes. Some of the programs this committee has worked on include developing vestibular triage protocols and a patient registry to collect data that can be used in research. Healthcare professionals involved in research are encouraged to apply.

Patient Registry Advisory Council

A patient registry is a database of patient-reported health information that helps describe the patient experience to better inform policy-makers and the medical community. The Patient Registry Advisory Council gives input on usability and content, as well as outreach language as we engage and inform registry participants.

DEI Committee

VeDA strives to create an inclusive community where everyone feels valued, represented, and respected. The DEI Committee finds ways to remove systemic barriers to promote inclusion and generate better solutions by incorporating diverse perspectives from our community. Examples include expanding our accessibility options (e.g. closed captioning), translating articles into different languages, and having diverse representation in our outreach.