



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

ADMINISTRATION

Copy Editing

Are you a good proofreader? Put your skills to use by reviewing various VeDA publications – e.g. our quarterly newsletter, letters, event materials, etc.

SEO

Do you have experience with Google AdWords? We'd love your help designing and managing campaigns.

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.

OUTREACH & EDUCATION

Ambassadors

Would you like to help VeDA reach out to people who are suffering from dizziness and vertigo and don't know where to turn for support and information? You can become a VeDA ambassador! Use social media to help us spread our message. Write a blog where you can share your story and coping strategies. Distribute VeDA brochures and event posters to your local community outlets. Come up with your own creative idea to help us raise awareness about vestibular disorders!

Forum Moderators

We need patients and healthcare professionals who are familiar with how a forum works to help moderate our forum. 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

VeDA's Community Support Coordinator helps people by directing them to resources – articles, vestibular healthcare providers and support networks. Often, people just need someone who understands what they're going through to talk to. Share your vestibular experience and listen to theirs. Giving back in this way can be very therapeutic.

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. 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

The communications committee’s goal is to support our mission by helping to spread our message to a national and international audience. The committee 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

The community support 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

Helps VeDA educate vestibular patients so that they can advocate for their own healthcare. 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

The fund development committee is essential to supporting VeDA's programs and operations. As a private, non-profit organization VeDA receives no government funding – all funds to support VeDA's mission come through donations and professional membership. The fund development 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

Our medical advocacy committee addresses changes to the medical system to improve treatment outcomes. Some of the programs our medical advocacy committee has worked on include developing vestibular triage protocols and a patient registry to collect data that can be used in research.

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 so that improvements can be made to the diagnostic and treatment process. It is essential for the vestibular patient experience to be represented at every stage of the patient registry process. 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 of vestibular patients and the healthcare professionals who serve them.