

MS Statutory Services Liaison Officer, Bournemouth Branch.



Aim

To be the primary point of contact for professionals and to attend Primary Care Trust/Social Service meetings to represent the views of people affected by Multiple Sclerosis (MS).

This voluntary role forms part of the branch support/welfare team:

- Support Officer
- Statutory Services Liaison Officer
- Carers Officer
- Newly Diagnosed/Young People with MS lead (MATES)
- Peer advocate

Purpose of the Role

To ensuring the views and requirements of the Branch are communicated effectively to statutory authorities and reports are submitted to committee and to support the Branch Chairman and centre volunteers in the running of the Osborne Day Centre.

Responsibilities

- Be the point of contact for professionals with regards to general queries about MS and the services offered by the branch to people affected by MS
- Provide information on the needs of people affected by MS.
- Provide accurate and up-to-date information about MS and its management at National Service Framework and other appropriate meetings.
- Develop collaborative relationships with health and social care professionals and ensure that the work of the branch links with them.

- Organise partnership meetings (MS Professionals/PCT representatives/Social Service Representatives/Branch (yearly)).
- Refer people with MS to the branch Support Officer.
- Encourage statutory providers to improve services for people affected by MS.
- Provide information about the Society's services at national and local level.
- Provide support to the work of any other MS Support volunteers within the branch.
- Attend the MS Support Sub-committee.

For further information please contact the branch:

<http://www.ms-bournemouth.co.uk/contacts.htm#branchofficers>