

# CANDIDATE INFORMATION PACK

## Welcome

Thank you for your interest in working for Rainbow Trust Children's Charity! This information pack is designed to give you a snapshot of who we are and what it's like to work with us.



### What we do

Rainbow Trust Children's Charity enables families who have a child with a life-threatening or terminal illness to make the most of their time together, providing expert, practical and emotional support, where they need it for as long as it is needed. For families living with childhood illness, time is everything. Right now, there are too many families coping alone with no support, no time to think, no time to make memories and no time for each other. We believe that no family should go through this alone, so we are here to change that.

We recruit people who are passionate about what we do and we look after them well, because our success, and the care we provide to families, depends on having a team that is motivated, committed to learning and sharing. Based on our latest internal employee survey which had a 98% response rate:



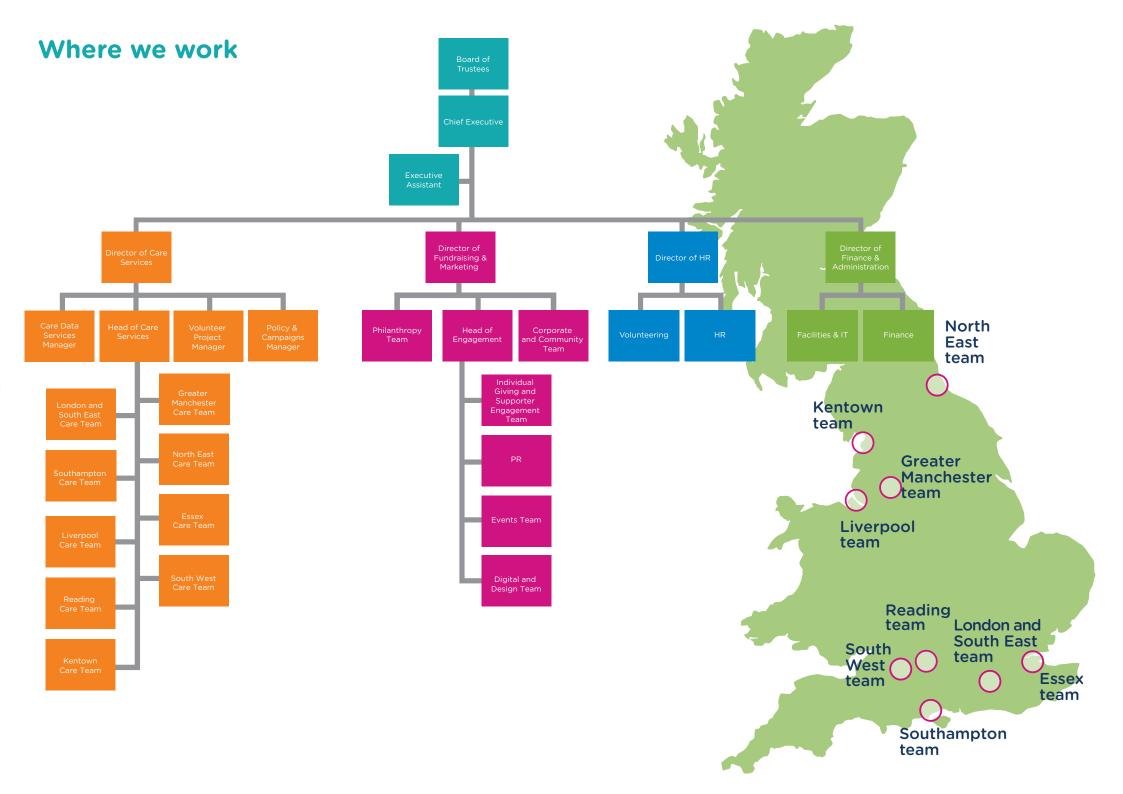
of those who responded believe in the stated goals and objectives of Rainbow Trust.

The top 5 highest responses have been consistent over the years and indicate that our employees are **proud to work here, trust in our products and services and would recommend our services to people they know.** 

Feedback also indicates that new employees are made to **feel welcome when they join us.** 



We have been named a **Best Company to work for**, for **12 years in a row**, and have recently gained **one star accreditation**. This means we have very good levels of employee engagement.



## Why work here



We recognise that our employees are our most valuable asset and encouraging their health and wellbeing is therefore critical to our success. We are committed to providing a successful Work-Life Balance approach and as well as family friendly policies, we have schemes in place to support our employees with health and wellbeing such as flexibility in working patterns, working from home facilities, occupational health support where required and a free confidential telephone counselling service which is available to all employees and their families.



We offer a mix of financial and nonfinancial benefits as we understand that we all have different priorities. Some of these benefits include a contributory pension scheme, salary sacrifice schemes such as bike to work and payroll giving, and some positions come with the benefit of a company car.



We offer an annual leave entitlement of 25 days per year (pro-rated if you work part-time) which increases over time to 29 days based on length of service, and includes a bonus birthday day, wedding/civil partnership day, plus a half day off for Christmas shopping. To recognise our long-serving employees, those who reach 10, 20 or 30 years of service receive an additional 5 days of leave to take in their anniversary year.

All employees have the option of

buying or selling up to 5 days of annual leave entitlement (pro-rated if you work part time) as an additional benefit each year.

A recruitment referral bonus is also available to employees who refer someone to us who is then successfully employed

A Star of the Month is celebrated each month, voted for by colleagues for going above and beyond expectations.

We encourage open communication in many forms and provide a number of processes to support this such as regular 1:1 meetings or supervision with line managers, return to work interviews after illness and nonmanagerial supervision in roles which we understand can be emotionally demanding such as our care roles.



Team meetings, an annual staff conference and buddy schemes are also in place to encourage employees to feel part of the team.



We also have an Employee Voice group made up of representatives from across the organisation to enable more opportunities for meaningful two-way communication with the Senior Leadership Team.



We have an active crossorganisational wellbeing group running a number of initiatives and activities throughout the year to promote good physical and emotional wellbeing, as well as an Employee Assistance Programme with access to remote GP, counselling, physiotherapy and many resources to support mental health and wellbeing as well as a 24/7 helpline via Help@hand.



**Our values matter to us.** They are:

- We listen and act
- We have compassion and courage
- We have inspired determination

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#### HOW WE RAISED OUR MONEY

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Last year, we raised £5.3m to help children and families cope.

We also received £24,407 from our investments and £47,223 from emergency government funding

## **Fair Recruitment** practices

We are committed to ensuring that the recruitment and selection of staff is conducted in a way that's fair, efficient and promotes equal opportunities. We are also committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and young people and we expect employee support in sharing these commitments and in implementing policies to ensure that everyone is accorded equal opportunity in recruitment and selection, promotion, transfer, training, pay and benefits.

We value diversity and believe that a mix of backgrounds brings a variety of ideas, perspectives and experiences that will create a productive work environment in which talents are fully utilised and organisational objectives are met.

**Application process** Please apply by submitting:

For Care Roles: A completed application form

For Non-Care Roles: Your CV AND a covering letter highlighting your suitability for the position

To: recruitment@rainbowtrust.org.uk

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