

Role Title	Advocacy Champion
Overview of role	As an Advocacy Champion you would be a voice for cancer patients and survivors all over Ireland. Advocacy Champions work closely with our Advocacy Team to ensure that the needs of cancer patients and survivors and their families and caregivers are heard at all levels of Government.
Tasks involved in role	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting with or calling your local politician - Sharing our campaigns on social media or through your local media - Writing to politicians and government departments Participating in advocacy events (1 – 2 per year)
Skills and Experience Needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passionate about ensuring that the voices of cancer patients, survivors, families and caregivers are heard at all levels of Government - Understand the experience of cancer patients - Comfortable using email and social media - Good communication and interpersonal skills
Time Commitment Needed	Advocacy Champions are asked to devote 10 hours per month to campaigning work, as well as to attend 1 or 2 advocacy events per year. Induction and ongoing training will be provided by the Irish Cancer Society. You can do your advocacy work in your own time and at your own pace, so it helps to be organised and self-motivated.
Location of Role	This role is remotely based. We are recruiting champions in all constituencies across the Republic of Ireland. Advocacy Champions will be invited to attend events once or twice a year.
Supervision	Advocacy Champions will receive support and supervision from the Grassroots Advocacy Coordinator through phone and email.
Training	All volunteers will receive training on the Irish Cancer Society, our advocacy work and your role as an Advocacy Champion. Those who need additional support in using online tools or platforms for training will be supported.
Expenses	As this role is remotely based, expenses will not be provided. However, in circumstances where volunteers are asked to travel to attend events or training on behalf of the Society, expenses may be provided where agreed in advance with the Grassroots Advocacy Coordinator.
Benefits	As an Advocacy Champion you would be a voice for cancer patients and survivors all over Ireland. This is an opportunity to support positive change for cancer patients in Ireland and to gain skills in communication, lobbying and networking.
Physical requirements	There are no physical requirements for this role.
No Smoking Policy	The Irish Cancer Society operates a no-smoking policy and the volunteer must not smoke in the office or when on Society business outside the office.

How to apply

Interested volunteers will be asked to complete an application form. Garda Vetting is not required for this role. Applicants will be asked to submit 2 references and complete a phone interview.