



YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP

Do you want to help Teenage Cancer Trust make sure we are providing the best possible support to young people affected by cancer? Apply to be part of our Youth Advisory Group today to help us put young people at the heart of our work and make sure young people don't face cancer alone!

Applications open: Tuesday 1 October
Applications close: Friday 18 October

Who can be part of the group?

We're looking for young people who:

- were diagnosed with cancer or had cancer treatment between the ages of **13-24 years old***
- have now **finished treatment** (not including maintenance treatment) by October 2024 and be within two years post treatment
- are **well enough to engage with meetings** - mainly online with some in-person opportunities which are not compulsory

**If you are under 18 you will need consent from a parent or guardian to take part in this group, and they will need to accompany you to any in-person events*

What will I be doing?

There will be lots of different things you can get involved with during your time on YAG, including:

- opportunities to meet online monthly, either to contribute to projects from different teams across the organisation or for a social
- a minimum of one in-person residential meeting during your two-year membership of the group*
- working with senior members of staff to give your ideas, insights and feedback on the work we're doing and how we can better support young people with cancer. For example, attending Senior Leadership and Board of Trustees meetings
- you'll have the opportunity to get a close insight of the inner workings of the organisation and we will provide training to make sure you can maximise these opportunities



**Teenage Cancer Trust will always pay for any travel and accommodation needed to make sure these opportunities are equally available to all members*

When does it start?

The group will start in **January 2025**. We'd like you to commit to the group for two years, until **December 2026**.

How do I apply?

All you need to do is complete an application form. You can either do this **online**, fill out a paper form and post it back to us or answer the same questions via video if you'd prefer. If you'd like to do a paper form please email us on youngpeople@teenagecancertrust.org.

We will get back to you with more information on your application by **28 October**. We'll be holding short 15-minute informal chats online between **4 November** and **15 November**. If you can't make these dates let us know on your application and we can come up with an alternative.

What support will I get during my time on the group?

- YAG will be supported by the Young People's Services Team and you'll have a specific member of the team you can contact with any questions, concerns or ideas.
- The team will always work to make sure that being part of YAG is a positive and fulfilling experience for everyone.
- We'll always try to make clear to YAG members what the outcomes of their involvement will be and how their feedback will be taken into account and what changes might be made as a result.
- We'll be in contact with your clinical team as part of the application process.

If you have any questions about the form or the application process please email youngpeople@teenagecancertrust.org and we'll get back to you as soon as we can.