Why do we need your help?
We are committed to accelerating progress towards our goals of doubling survival and halving the harm that brain tumours have on quality of life. To harness the power of patient data, we have launched a new and pioneering online app: BRIAN (Brain tumouR Information and Analysis Network). BRIAN combines NHS records with actual user experience to form a unique, interactive tool offering support and information for people living with a brain tumour and helping researchers find a cure. Our team of BRIAN Champions are vital in ensuring that BRIAN is patient led. We are looking to build this group as BRIAN develops, so it can reach its full potential to transform the lives of those affected by this brain tumours.

What will I be doing?
You will be the voice of those affected by brain tumours in developing and testing BRIAN. Your role will include:
- Championing those affected in the development of BRIAN and related services and resources;
- Representing those affected in the Patient Mandate Group, set up to guide the Charity on the development of BRIAN;
- Championing the Patient Mandate: the data sharing principles developed by patients for BRIAN; and
- Championing BRIAN through sharing your story and promoting the awareness and use of BRIAN across the community.

What skills and experience do I need?
- Personal experience of the effect of a brain tumour (whether yourself or a close family member);
- An enthusiasm to support others affected by brain tumours and to support The Brain Tumour Charity; and
- Although not a requirement, skills or interest in the development of apps or health data management would be valuable.

How much of my time would you like?
The BRIAN Champion role is a 2 year post. You are asked to commit to attending 2–3 Patient Mandate Group meetings per year (in London or Farnborough) as well as ad hoc user testing of new BRIAN phases – estimated at around 1-2 hours per month depending on level of use.

Please note, while attending meetings in person would be preferable, there is the possibility to join meetings remotely, if travelling to the venue is not possible.
How will I be trained and supported?

- You will receive a full induction to The Charity and your role.
- You will have a regular point of contact and support with your role, including reimbursement of reasonable expenses
- You will be given any equipment necessary to carry out your role

What can I gain from volunteering with you?

- Making use of your existing skills and experience
- Developing and learning new skills and experience
- Being a part of the development of a pioneering new app
- Knowing that you’re making a valuable contribution to the lives of those affected by brain tumours

How do I apply?

Complete our online application form or contact the Volunteer Team by email at volunteering@thebraintumourcharity.org or by phone on 01252 237818.

Note that as part of the application process we will ask all applicants to submit a short video clip about why they want to be a BRIAN Champion (if you are unable or would prefer not to submit video as part of your application, please let us know and we can suggest an alternative format)

For more information about BRIAN and to sign up as a user, please visit our website.