

# Could you and your company partner with Young Epilepsy?

Young Epilepsy exists to create a society where children and young people with epilepsy can thrive and fulfil their potential. A society in which their voices are respected, and their ambitions realised.

We work with a whole range of companies and are always on the lookout for new partners to join up with. From raising vital funds to building awareness of our cause, our corporate partners play a crucial role in our life-saving work.

From employee fundraising and taking part in events, to volunteering your time with us. There are many ways you and your employees can get involved.

Could your company be part of raising these vital funds?

Through clinical research, real advances are being made in our understanding of the underlying causes of epilepsy, as well as how they affect all aspects of a child's life.

Research presents a real opportunity to improve outcomes. However, health services can still be inconsistent in terms of access to specialist services, speed of diagnosis and adequate face-to-face support.

Beyond the seizures, there are higher rates of cognitive, developmental and behaviour disorders among young people with epilepsy, who are also four times more likely than their peers to experience mental health problems.

Many of these problems remain unrecognised or unsupported and result in academic underachievement or school exclusion. There sadly remains significant social stigma about the condition and many young people feel isolated and anxious.



Epilepsy affects almost 6 in every 1000 children and young people.



1 in 3 children with epilepsy don't have an individual school healthcare plan.



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Only 52% of UK people with epilepsy are seizure free. With correct treatment around 70% could be seizure free.

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## What we do

We are at the forefront of advocating with young people for positive change in attitudes, across society, and towards greater understanding of the condition. We campaign for improved specialist support for children, young people and their families in our national health, education and social care systems.

### Research



We coordinate and fund research into the causes, treatments and impact of childhood epilepsy.

### Information



We equip young people in the UK with knowledge and promote public awareness.

### Health



We drive improvements in healthcare and advocate for the young people's rights for the highest standards of health.

### Learning



We deliver innovative education services and advocate for young people with epilepsy's right to an education.



Olivia, known as Livvy to her friends and family, has been living with epilepsy since she was 10 years old. She was officially diagnosed 4th Oct 2010 just after starting year 7. Olivia's entire education has been impacted by her epilepsy.

*"Before I was diagnosed, I was high-up in my education. Top set in everything. And now I'm at the bottom."* Livvy, 22 years of age

Olivia has struggled to find medical support, and the pandemic only made that worse.

*"It has changed my life completely. I'm not independent anymore and my dad had to become my carer. My little sister is 17 and has all that independence. Knowing other people my age are off in their own houses and having kids and I don't get that... that affects me."*

Now 22, Livvy has been living with epilepsy for over half her life, and has recently developed a new type of seizure, yet to be diagnosed. We are working hard to find solutions to these challenges, in the hope that young people like Olivia can one day find a treatment that works.

## How YOU can help

### Fundraise for #TeamYoungEpilepsy

#### Charity of the Year Partner

Choose us as your Charity of the Year partner for one, three or five years and get involved with Young Epilepsy in multiple ways.

#### Support young people with epilepsy

This could include offering training or mentorships to young people with epilepsy, supporting project work involving our Young Reps, or giving advice and guidance to young people with epilepsy about entering the world of work.

#### Sponsorship Packages

Get your brand noticed and help Young Epilepsy, by sponsoring our work on The Channel, our events and our research projects.

#### Donate

Why not set up payroll giving to easily donate to us? Your regular support will help us be there for children and young people with epilepsy all year round.

#### Take on a Challenge

Run, swim, skydive, cycle, trek or come up with your own challenge and together we can change the lives of thousands of young people with epilepsy.

#### Volunteer

This is a great chance to see our work close up, whilst giving your staff the chance to build effective teams and improve their wellbeing. Whether that's through providing pro bono support, or volunteering at our St Piers school and college in Surrey, or helping to run fundraising events.

### Campaign with us

We are striving to give young people a voice, to tackle stigma and create a society where children living with epilepsy can thrive and achieve their goals. Join our campaigns to make the world a fairer place for children with epilepsy.

In return for your support, myself and the fundraising team will be there for you every step of the way to support your fundraising activities. You will receive regular e-newsletters, be invited to attend virtual and in person networking events and be recognised on our website and social media channels.

To get involved, please call Natasha on **07894 462641** or email our corporate team at: [corporate@youngepilepsy.org.uk](mailto:corporate@youngepilepsy.org.uk)



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