

# Myth-busting: becoming an Ambulance Volunteer with SAAS

#### How much time does it take?

We know you're busy, that's why we offer flexibility with the time you can give us. Your team will support through your training so you can progress at your own pace.

# Am the physically able?

At SAAS, age is just a number. If you are fit and healthy, and are able to meet our medical requirements, you can join. We value the knowledge and life experience of people of all ages, however you need to be at least 18 to join.

If you have recently retired are looking to learn new skills, and want to make new friends, the team in green is for you.

# Do I need medical experience?

No experience needed! We provide the necessary training and lots of support. Our nationally accredited qualifications are delivered in person and online and are designed to help you succeed.

We have iPads available for our students to use at home. Upon completion of all your studies you will be issued the HLT41120 Certificate IV in Health Care.





#### How much does it cost?

It's free! All we ask for is passion to help your community and a willingness to join a great team. When you sign up, you will receive:

- Free Ambulance Cover for you and your immediate family (as per our current Terms and Conditions)
- Reimbursements for expenses such as travel, meals and childcare
- · Free nationally recognised training

#### What about the blood?

Most patients just need medical support and transport to the local hospital. Sometimes we deal with serious injuries, but these are a small portion of our work. Your training, equipment, and team will prepare you to handle these situations.

#### Can I work and volunteer?

Our volunteers have all sorts of jobs. Training is held in the evenings during the week and occasionally on weekends. There are no training activities during school holidays.

With our roster covering 24 hours a day, seven days a week, you can volunteer whenever it suits you!

If you volunteer during your work time, your employer can be reimbursed to cover time lost if you are called to an emergency.

#### Do I need a drivers licence?

You must hold a driver's licence that allows you to drive in South Australia. You can start training if you are on your final year of a provisional licence. If you do not have a driver's licence, but you still want to volunteer, there might be support roles at your local station.

### Will I respond to family and friends?

There are times you might respond to someone you know. You and your partner will have specific training to help handle this situation. You will be the familiar face and reassurance for that person in their time of need.

# Ready to join the team in green?

To apply, click here or call 1300 175 584.

SA Ambulance Service needs help to care for your community. Become a volunteer today.



