

Benefits of Nightline Association membership

The Nightline Association is the umbrella charity for Nightlines. Our mission is to raise the quality, profile and number of Nightline services so that every student is aware of and has access to confidential emotional peer support. We are here to support your Nightline and we offer the following services:

- **Specialist support for Nightline volunteers** from the Nightline Association team made up of skilled professionals and experienced Nightline volunteers. **Specialist support for universities** from the Chief Executive. Team details included in a hard copy Nightline Association file for your office.
- Your own **Regional Representative** who builds support networks and shares good practice in your regional Nightline community and gains regular feedback from you to ensure we are responding to current Nightline and student support needs. If you need help with anything - just let your Regional Representative know.
- Annual **National Training Conference**: Nightline Coordinators, Trainers and Publicity Officers share good practice and seek support and receive professional skills training. Travel bursary fund provided if corporate sponsorship is secured.
- Annual **Nightline Awareness Week**: Each member Nightline receives a publicity budget of £150 to fund their local publicity campaign and a publicity prop if sponsorship is secured; shared plans within the Nightline community; and participation in any Nightline Association national PR initiatives.
- **Annual General Meeting** and Conference: Nightlines vote on charity resolutions, can stand for election for charity official posts and consult on the future of Nightline. The Nightline community can network, share good practice and seek support and receive professional skills training. Free event if corporate sponsorship is secured.
- Annual **Nightline Awards**: a volunteer from each Nightline is granted an outstanding achievement award and we grant one Most Supportive University Award and one Nightline of the Year Award.
- Receive **Good Practice Guidelines** and support to achieve accreditation to demonstrate that your Nightline operates to a consistent high quality that meets The Helplines Association standards. You can only retain accreditation if you are a member as we will re-assess annually and keep the document up-to-date e.g. if the law changes.
- Receive a **Nightline – University Model**: Accountability, Funding and Support and help from our Chief Executive to implement it or to develop your own model. This model will be revised annually to include up-to-date **national statistics** on the Nightline service.
- Use of Nightline Association **statistics software** that will enable your Nightline to simply record and collate statistics and alumni details online.
- **Website members area** access:
 - Resources to run a Nightline . which are kept up-to-date e.g. if the law changes.
 - Nightline forum and Nightline committees contact details.
 - Facility to share information and documents in the Nightline community.
 - Advertisement of your Nightline's contact details for students to access and promotional information to encourage students to take care of their emotional wellbeing. We receive approx 2 . 3,000 website visits per month . please make sure your students can find your Nightline.
- Access to support from the **Nightline Association partners** and supporters secured externally by the Nightline Association and made available to Nightlines for free:
 - Chatstat who enable Nightlines to offer a 1-1 online listening service.
 - Three Rings who provide Nightlines with a volunteer rota system.
 - Legal advice from Will McDermott & Emery and Taylor Wessing.
 - Nightline Association honorary mental health professional for questions relating to mental health awareness training, press enquiries and related policy decisions.
 - We arrange local support networks for Nightlines with our related organisation partners: Samaritans, Alcoholics Anonymous, Rape Crisis, Relate, Victim Support, B-eat, SANEmail and National Self Harm Network. They assist with local Nightline volunteer training and sharing of good practice.
- Copies of the Nightline Association **brochure** to secure local sponsors and supporters.
- Electronic copies of professionally designed **posters** advertising the service.
- Use of the Nightline Association **logo** and the renowned brand.
- Nightline volunteers can continue volunteering as Nightline **alumni** once they leave university.
- Monthly **ebulletin** and bi-annual internal magazine **Insomniac** to update Nightlines and alumni on Nightline Association activity to ensure transparency and share Nightline development projects in the Nightline community.