

Dental Volunteer Programme (DVP)

Initial Deposit Pack



Checklist of what needs to happen between now and your trip to Tanzania

Upon Application please can you:

- Confirm your chosen Dental Volunteer Programme (DVP)
- Pay your **£100 deposit** preferably by **BACS transfer**
- Confirm your place on the Training day

After the Training Day has been attended

We will contact you to request:

- Completion of our Acceptance Pack Response form
- A photocopy/scan of your passport details page
- A further **£250 deposit** be paid (If you have not already paid £100 towards the deposit then a deposit of £350 will be required)
- Dentists will need to provide solicitor certified copies of: your passport, degree certificate, marriage certificate (where applicable), plus a one page CV.

About 24 weeks before your trip

- We will send flight information and explain how to book and pay for your flight.

About 12 weeks before your trip

Final Payment due

- We will send you details of how to pay the final balance of £600. You have 2 weeks to make this payment

Tanzanian Visa

- We will send an email with instructions on how to apply for your temporary Visa to work in Tanzania. It costs £180 and takes about 10 working days to turn around.

Dentists only

- We will send an email requesting various dental registration and indemnity documents to enable you to have professional registration in Tanzania. You will need to apply to the GDC for a Certificate of Current Professional Status using the forms we provide (you cannot apply more than 3 months ahead of the DVP).
- These documents will be required within 2 weeks of the request.

8 weeks before your trip

We will send you the Final Information Pack containing:

- Government Travel Advice Registration (British Citizens)
- Packing List, Accommodation Details, Your site information and itinerary
- Airport Procedure for travel from Heathrow to Tanzania
- Clinical Training Documents
- Final Information Response Form – to be returned to the Volunteer team with your travel insurance details

Summary of Dental Volunteer Programme (DVP) costs

Core DVP costs (you CAN FUNDRAISE for these)		Costs due dates
£950	Basic volunteer costs for programme including accommodation, travel and food	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £100 initial deposit Due 2 weeks after reserving your place on a DVP • £250 Due 6 months before DVP • Final £600 Due 12 weeks before DVP
£950	Flight costs (this is quite a high estimate because cost can vary due to dates, surcharges & taxes). If your flight is less than this you will be charged the actual amount of your flight.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At flight booking – 6 months before DVP
£1900	Total. Anything fundraised above this total will go towards funding the work of Bridge2Aid.	

Extra DVP costs that you CANNOT FUNDRAISE for		Due
£180	Visas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 months before DVP
£35	Travel Insurance (approx. cost)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to travel
	Inoculations & anti-malarial tablets as advised by your GP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to travel
<p>Other additional costs that you may like to consider are spending money for the duration of the trip (US \$200 – 300).</p> <p>You also have the option of extending your stay for a holiday at the end of your volunteering trip. Safari trips may be available in some regions.</p>		

Fundraising

Important Note if You Intend to Raise Funds to Pay for Your Visit

We encourage fundraising to help you cover the costs of your trip, and will support you in whatever way possible. Our website has lots of useful fundraising tips and information. If, at any point, you would like to discuss the progress of your fundraising, please contact natalie@bridge2aid.org who will be happy to help.

When fundraising, please note the following points:

- 1) **Clarity** – you must make it clear in your fundraising posters and any other materials that you are raising funds to help cover the costs of your trip, rather than directly for Bridge2Aid. Raising funds to cover your costs is quite legitimate, but the distinction must be made as this is a Charities Commission requirement. You should also state that any excess will be donated to Bridge2Aid. Please note that money from fundraising through sites like JustGiving cannot be used to cover the costs of your visa, travel insurance, inoculations, any extension trip or spending money.
- 2) **Cut Off Date – 12 weeks before the full Bridge2Aid costs of your DVP are due.** All fundraising must be sent to us to arrive before that date, and if there is a shortfall, you will need to make up the difference yourself. Funds raised after this date cannot be refunded to you, so please start your fundraising activities as soon as possible. Any funds you receive after this date also cannot be put towards future trips as we operate a ‘per trip’ policy on fundraising. This means that each one is treated in isolation by us, so funds cannot be carried forward.
- 3) **Carry over** – if you raise more money than you need to for your trip – congratulations! We will put these funds to good use, but they cannot be carried forward to cover the costs of future trips. **We are always thrilled if volunteers do manage to raise more than the trip costs as every penny will go towards training future clinical officers.**

4) Bridge2Aid Payments

Payments can be made either by BACS or by cheque:

4.1 **BACS transfer** to: Bridge2Aid – Lloyds Bank, Cabot Circus, Bristol sort code 30-62-96, account number 78758768. **Please ensure you include your name and trip as a reference**

4.2 Send a cheque made payable to ‘Bridge2Aid’ to: Bridge2Aid, Suite 3E, Drake House, Drake Lane, Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11 4HH. Please write your name and DVP date on the back.

Bridge2Aid Dental Volunteer Programme

Participant Conditions

(Volunteer's copy)

These Participant Conditions are made between (i) Bridge2Aid (UK registered charity No. 1170578), and (ii) the applicant who has signed these Participant Conditions below ('I').

- 1) I agree to pay Bridge2Aid a £100 refundable deposit to reserve my place. If a new volunteer, I will then attend a Training and Interview Day. Following this and on having my place confirmed I will pay a further £250 within 2 weeks of being offered a place in writing. I understand the deposit is then non-refundable and not transferable to future trips.
- 2) If accepted:
 - a) I agree to pay Bridge2Aid the balance of the cost of my trip as notified in writing (to cover accommodation, travel, food etc.) no later than 12 weeks before departure. If then unpaid, I understand that Bridge2Aid may withdraw my place, and that the deposit will be retained by Bridge2Aid. I also understand that the total cost of my trip is estimated to be £950 (including the non-refundable deposit), but that the cost may vary by up to 15% more or less than this sum, dependant on the exchange rate
 - b) I understand that I will be required to book my own flight via Wotton Travel Limited (WTL) once notified of the flight route and will need to do this within the timeframe provided.
 - c) I understand that I am liable for 50% of my costs if I cancel less than 12 weeks and more than 8 weeks before departure, and confirm that I will have travel insurance in place to cover this at least 12 weeks before departure.
 - d) I understand that if I withdraw from the trip 8 weeks or less before departure no amount of the monies paid to Bridge2Aid will be repaid, and that any monies paid are not transferrable to future trips.
 - e) I understand that any notice of cancellation must be given in writing or by email to Bridge2Aid at Suite 3E, Drake House, Drake Lane, Dursley, GL11 4HH.
- 3) I confirm that:
 - a) I will be at least 18 years old on the date of departure.
 - b) I will have adequate and valid travel insurance that will cover me for the specific activities I will be undertaking, including, without limitation, emergency repatriation and repatriation of my remains. If I do not provide proof of adequate and valid travel insurance by no later than 10 weeks prior to departure, Bridge2Aid may withdraw my place. I acknowledge that Bridge2Aid may withdraw my place or oblige me to obtain further insurance if Bridge2Aid believes that my insurance cover is inadequate.
 - c) I will arrange adequate and valid indemnity insurance to practise in my professional capacity in Tanzania. If I do not provide proof of this at least 10 weeks prior to departure Bridge2Aid may withdraw my place. I acknowledge that Bridge2Aid may withdraw my place or oblige me to obtain further insurance if Bridge2Aid believes that my insurance cover is inadequate.
 - d) I do not suffer from alcohol or drug dependency, or from any chronic condition which might become acute during my trip.
 - e) I do not have any criminal convictions and I hereby give my consent to Bridge2Aid making a Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) search.
- 4) I confirm I am aware of the pregnancy clause below:
 - a) We are required to carry out a risk assessment for all pregnant volunteers to identify any risks to both the mother and her unborn child, and to implement suitable measures to control any risks so far as is reasonably practicable.
 - b) We have identified a potentially significant risk, being the lack of medical assistance available in Tanzania.
 - c) If it is not possible to identify a way of removing or reducing the risks we have identified, we may have to consider suspending you from volunteering in Tanzania for as long as it remains necessary for the protection of your health and the health of your unborn child.
- 5) I understand that:
 - a) In the event that any of the statements set out in paragraph 3 above are found to be untrue, Bridge2Aid shall be entitled to cancel my trip and any sums paid to Bridge2Aid prior to cancellation shall be retained by Bridge2Aid. In the event of such cancellation, I shall reimburse to Bridge2Aid any reasonable costs, losses or expenses which Bridge2Aid may incur or suffer as a result. Bridge2Aid will not be responsible for (and I agree to indemnify Bridge2Aid against) any costs, claims, losses and expenses arising including costs of repatriation e.g. flights and legal expenses.
 - b) Bridge2Aid shall not be liable for any changes to itineraries, schedules and accommodation.

- c) I participate at my own risk and Bridge2Aid shall have no liability for any loss or damage incurred by me, however arising, or for cancellation of the visit for any reason outside its control. This exclusion of liability does not apply to liability arising in connection with death or personal injury resulting from Bridge2Aid's negligence, or from Bridge2Aid's fraud or wilful default.
- d) **My passport must have at least six months to run from the date I return to the UK.**
- e) If I am refused passage and/or entry/exit to or from Tanzania, any additional costs incurred are my responsibility.
- f) Bridge2Aid may, at its sole discretion, withdraw places on the visit. In the event that my place is withdrawn by Bridge2Aid, other than in accordance with paragraphs 3 b) or c) or paragraph 4 a) or as a result of a failure to comply with my obligations under these Participant Conditions, I understand that Bridge2Aid will refund my payments other than the non-refundable deposit of £350, mentioned in paragraph 1 above.

6) I undertake that:

a) I will specify in my fundraising posters and any other materials used in connection with fundraising that I am raising funds to help cover the costs of my trip, rather than directly for Bridge2Aid. Raising funds to cover my costs is quite legitimate, but the distinction must be made as this is a Charities Commission requirement. I will also state in all fundraising posters and other materials used in connection with fundraising that any excess funds raised will be donated to Bridge2Aid.

Money from fundraising cannot be used to cover the costs of my safari or any extension trip I may choose to take. I acknowledge that Bridge2Aid is not responsible or liable for the provision of any such trip, or for arranging any excursions or other tours or for anything that happens during the course of its provision.

b) I will pay the full balance of the cost of my trip no later than 12 weeks before the start of my trip. I acknowledge that all funds raised must be sent to Bridge2Aid to arrive before that date, and I undertake to pay an amount equal to any shortfall. I acknowledge that any funds raised less than 12 weeks before my trip cannot be refunded to me. Any funds received less than 12 weeks before my trip also cannot be put towards future trips as Bridge2Aid operate a 'per trip' policy on fundraising and therefore funds cannot be carried forward.

7) If I raise more money than I need to meet the costs of my trip, I understand that these funds will be used in pursuit of Bridge2Aid's aims but they cannot be carried forward to cover the costs of future trips.

8) I agree to uphold the highest standards of professional and ethical behaviour at all times as detailed in the Code of Conduct Appendix. I will adhere to Bridge2Aid's guidance on appropriate cultural behaviour and dress during the visit, and understand that failure to do so may lead to my being excluded from activities during the visit at Bridge2Aid's discretion, as normally exercised by the Country Programme Director, the Clinical Director or the Team Leader.

9) I give my consent to the information I provide to Bridge2Aid being made available to other parties as deemed necessary by Bridge2Aid for the purposes of my trip. This can include the following:

- Bridge2Aid UK staff and volunteers – data input and pre and post DVP support
- Bridge2Aid Tanzania staff and subcontractors – support during my trip
- Volunteers on my trip:
 - Senior volunteers such as Site Clinical Leads and Assistant Site Clinical Leads. This will include sensitive personal data such as relevant medical history to ensure appropriate support is provided to DVP volunteers when travelling to DVP, and during the programme.
 - other DVP volunteers will receive basic contact information to facilitate communication between participants, particularly before departure
- Agents of and suppliers to Bridge2Aid in the UK and Tanzania, such as travel agents, and accommodation and subsistence providers
- Medical professionals, as required, in the event of my needing medical care during my trip.

Bridge2Aid will at all times pay due regard to my right to privacy concerning my information and will handle all data with appropriate sensitivity.

10) If any of these Participant Conditions are found by any Court or other competent authority to be wholly or partly unfair or unenforceable the validity of the rest of the Participant Conditions and the rest of the condition in question shall not be affected and shall remain valid and enforceable to the full extent permitted by law.

11) These Participant Conditions are governed by English law and I irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

I apply to take part in the Bridge2Aid Dental Volunteer Programme, and agree to abide by the above Participant Conditions.

I confirm that my general state of health and fitness is good and I take full responsibility for my fitness to take part. I will ensure that I get the necessary inoculations and malaria prophylaxis for my trip. I am aware that I may be required to provide a letter from my GP confirming fitness to take part in volunteer activities if Bridge2Aid feel this is necessary.

Applicant Signature

Date

Appendix 1: Bridge2Aid Code of Conduct

Tanzania is a very different place from the UK. There are certain types of behaviour and dress that are perfectly respectable and acceptable in the UK, which can cause great offence in Tanzania. B2A have worked very hard to build positive working relationships with the authorities and community in the country, and its work and staff are well respected. This reputation can easily be compromised by unwise actions by staff and/or volunteers, and for this reason all personnel must adhere to the cultural advice given before and during visits, and agree to abide by this Code of Conduct.

You should recognise that you represent Bridge2Aid at all times, and as such must not behave in such a way that brings the charity into disrepute.

You should be aware at all times of conduct that is culturally and religiously inappropriate and/or offensive. In particular, you should:

- not engage in sexually inappropriate behaviour
- not drink alcohol to excess or engage in drunken behaviour
- not use foul or abusive language
- not act in a violent or aggressive way
- not take illegal drugs

You should always:

- maintain high standards of ethical integrity
- dress in a culturally sensitive way
- maintain high standards of personal hygiene
- show respect for everyone you encounter, regardless of colour, race, religion or gender.

Smoking or drinking are not permitted during working hours.

Gross misconduct may result in immediate termination of your volunteer placement and return to the UK.