

Young People's Liaison Officer (YPLO) - Edinburgh & Midlothian Intergroup

The YPLO is a service role within the Alcoholics Anonymous fellowship, elected by Edinburgh and Midlothian Intergroup. The role is a vital link between young members, groups, and the wider service structure.

Term: [Typically a three-year term, to be confirmed by the Intergroup]

Requirements:

- A minimum of three years of continuous sobriety is suggested, as this period allows for a solid foundation in the AA program and service work.
- Comfortable sharing your personal experience of having an alcohol problem at a young age and of finding recovery as a younger person in AA.
- A good working knowledge of the AA programme, including the 12 Steps and the 12 Traditions.

Key Responsibilities:

- **Carrying the Message:** Act as a point of contact for young people seeking help for a drinking problem, both within and outside of AA. This may involve answering emails or phone calls and sharing your experience, strength, and hope.
- **Public Information:** Collaborate with other service roles, particularly the Public Information Officer, to inform professionals who work with young people (e.g., in schools, colleges, universities, and youth services) about AA.
- **Representation and Outreach:** Attend events, conferences, and information stands with the Public Information Officer to represent AA and ensure that the message of recovery is accessible to younger people.
- **Internal Communication:** Maintain close communication with groups within the Edinburgh and Midlothian Intergroup to encourage young members to get involved in service and to ensure their perspective is represented in the wider service structure.
- **Service Coordination:** Support and assist with AA activities and events aimed at young people in the local area and at a regional level.
- **Reporting:** Provide regular reports to the Intergroup to keep members informed of activities and developments related to the role.
- **Liaison:** Work with the Regional YPLO to share information and ensure continuity of service across Scotia Region.