



Katie McGrory Case Study

Smith & Nephew have been involved with the Hull Children's University since its beginnings. At the time, one of the Managing Directors had a keen interest in the role that Hull Children's University played in the community. Katie McGrory is currently the Central Initiatives Coordinator for Smith & Nephew in Hull and in this role, she deals with involvement with charities and local community projects. She likes the way that all the new and different opportunities offered by the charity instils confidence in children and helps give back to the community – values that Smith & Nephew absolutely share.

The Hull Children's University has helped Smith & Nephew foster a 'Great Place to Work' and also gives employees the chance to use their 8 hours of volunteer time that is available each year. Many staff members do choose to donate their time to the Hull Children's University through this scheme and then also go on to give even more of their own free time. At the moment, a number of the staff at Smith & Nephew are signed up to volunteer with the Hull Children's University over the summer months and they even have some truly stellar volunteers, such as Mark Stockdale, who has been a key ambassador and worked extensively with Hull Children's University over the years. Katie would highly recommend partnering with the Hull Children's University to any businesses considering it. The charity serves as a vital means of encouraging children to think outside the box and promoting educational equality. Not only does the work of the Hull Children's University benefit the children it works with, it can serve as a refreshing chance for adult volunteers to do something new and give back to the community.