

My Placement Experience

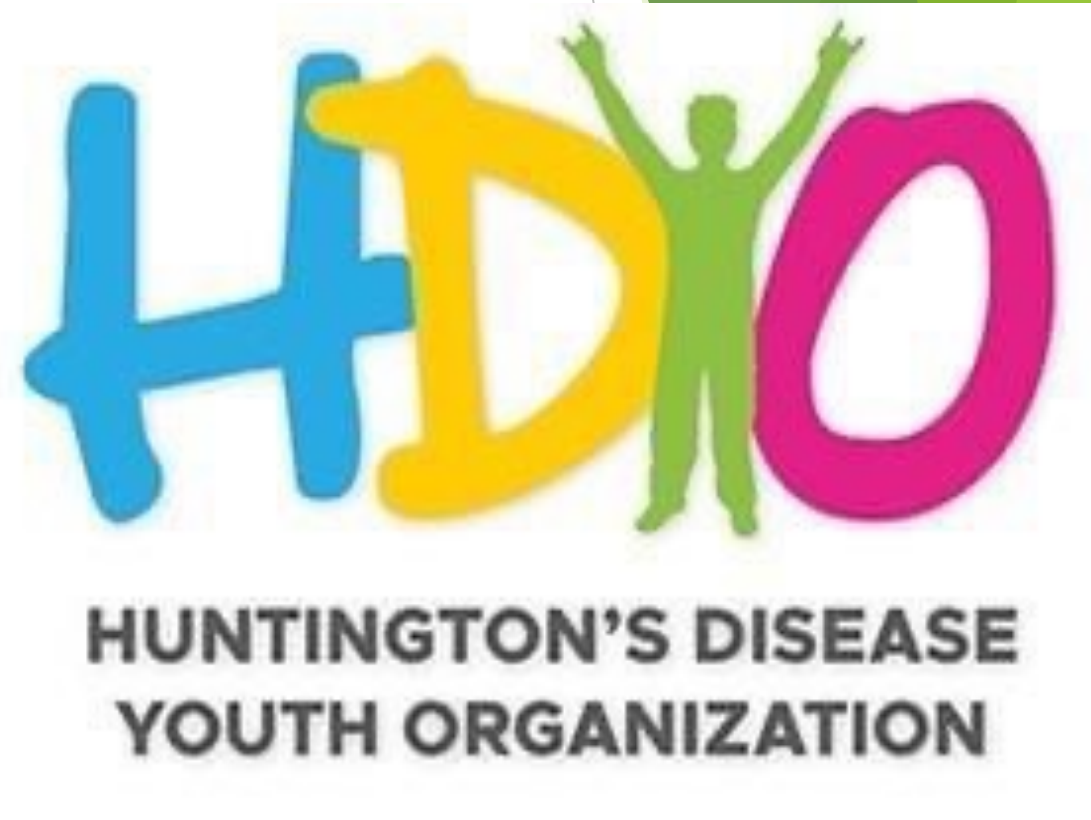
Carly Evans

What is Huntington's Disease?

- ▶ Rare genetic disorder that causes progressive degeneration of nerve cells in the brain. As a result, causes changes to one's mind, memory and movements (HDA,2021).

HDYO – Huntington's Youth Organisation

- ▶ International charity supporting young people around the world
- ▶ Founded in 2012 (Matthew Ellison)
- ▶ Passion and belief that young people needed support
- ▶ Support, Educate, Empower
- ▶ Online and in person resources



(HDYO,2021)



Fundraising Friday!

Today we want to give a massive THANK YOU to HDYO ambassador Carly. Last week she raised £730 for HDYO and £1010 for HDA from her skydive.

I think we can all agree this is amazing and a great way to raise awareness for Huntington's Disease!



(HDYO, 2021)

Why HDYO?

- ▶ More than just a placement
- ▶ Close to my heart
- ▶ Passion to raise awareness around this condition



(HDYO, 2021)

Meet Carly



HDYO

(HDYO, 2021)

HDYO Ambassador

- Welsh ambassador
- Individuals from around the world in raising awareness around HD
- Monthly meetings to connect
- A community with a shared mission
- Knowledge around HD to educate and support (HDYO, 2021)



(HDYO, 2021)

Monthly Support Group

- Young people impacted by HD come together
- Responsibility
- Active listening skills (Conte, 2009)
- SOLER (Egan, 1983)
- Core conditions (Rogers, 2003)



**Staying
connected**

**Monthly Online
Support Group**



(HDYO,2021)

HDYO Annual Congress Committee

- ▶ Insightful talks
- ▶ HD research updates
- ▶ Weekly meetings 2022 agenda
- ▶ Teamwork (Morrison-Smith & Ruiz, 2020)
- ▶ Proactive approach bringing forward ideas
- ▶ Active listening (Conte, 2009)



(HDYO, 2021)

Thank You For Listening



(HDYO, 2021)

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