

Senior Orthotist

Job overview

We are seeking either band 6 or band 7 level applicants to join our team. A band 6 applicant should have experience of approximately 2 years or more with competent experience in most aspects of orthotics and have proven experience of working at band 5 level.

Our community-based service near to Poole Hospital, provides face-to-face and digitally enabled appointments. At our main site, we have a large clinic room for patient assessment and care delivery, alongside a small workshop within the department. You will be required to travel to cover clinics in Bridport and Yeatman hospitals for this post. The post provides the opportunity to work in specialist practice within the areas of foot and ankle, paediatrics, spinal, neuro-rehabilitation and gait analysis. We would like the successful applicant to be an integral part of our team and to bring new and additional skills for compassionate patient care outcomes.

All applicants should be able to demonstrate an excellent portfolio of professional developing skills.

All applicants must be registered as a Prosthetist/Orthotist with HCPC and hold a BSc or equivalent UK recognised qualification in Prosthetics and Orthotics. Candidates should have a broad range of experience.

If you wish to come and meet the team and have an informal chat about this role, please contact Hayley Finch on 07810057308 or at Hayley.finch1@nhs.net

Main duties of the job

Working within the 'Specialist Services' area of Dorset Healthcare as a Senior Orthotist, you will have regular contact with other key teams and professionals to enable you to effectively manage your orthotic patient pathways; having close links to the Podiatry team, Physiotherapy, Diabetes and MSK services as well as the Community Pain services.

To provide high quality person centred care which always considers people's safety, privacy and dignity using advanced clinical knowledge that is evidence based.

To undertake independent assessment and management of service users to incorporate pharmacological considerations, where appropriate making complex clinical decisions regarding service user management and clinical outcomes.

To provide advanced clinical advice, leadership and support ensuring the needs of the service are met by exercising and demonstrating high levels of clinical judgement, critical analysis and advanced decision making skills.

To manage change, to monitor and improve standards through supervision, evidence based practice, clinical audit, research and education. To promote and demonstrate best practice by integrating evidence into practice.

To work within BAPO standards, comply with orthotics service procedures and MHRA legislation at all times. To provide expert advice and knowledge to other services and professionals within the trust where an orthotic device might be indicated eg support and advice to ICRTs and wards.

Closing date: 11th December 2022

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