

Job Advert

Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust - Upton

Lead Orthotist

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Band 7

Main area	Orthotist
Grade	Band 7
Contract	Permanent
Hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time• Part time• Job share 37.5 hours per week
Job ref	408-24-997
Site	Arrowe Park Hospital
Town	Upton
Salary	£46,148 - £52,809 per annum
Salary period	Yearly
Closing	23/01/2025 23:59

Job overview

An exciting opportunity exists for a Clinical Lead Orthotist, to join the Orthotics department at Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Trust set within Arrowe Park and Clatterbridge Hospitals.

We are looking for an Orthotist with experience in the NHS in both in and outpatients. Experience of developing others is essential. This is a friendly, dynamic orthotic team and a great opportunity to work in an acute hospital setting. The successful candidate will have dedicated CPD time as well as working closely with more experienced team members to enhance knowledge and develop clinical skills.

This is a varied clinical role with inpatient and outpatient clinics and cover a range of areas including: orthopaedic foot and ankle, diabetic foot, neurology, paediatric and traumatic spinal injury. The team at WUTH work closely with their medical and AHP colleagues.

The successful candidate will join a team of 4 Orthotists and have access to an on site workshop, the use of digital workflow and will be encouraged to explore innovative technology. It is a team where clinicians are encouraged to be actively involved in their own development and the improvement of the department.

Main duties of the job

Key Responsibilities

- Responsibility for the delivery of Orthotic Clinical care to patient caseload of all diverse needs, for outpatient and inpatient services. This includes patient assessment and advice, implementing treatment plans to facilitate patient goals. On-going monitoring and audit of treatment provided.
- To provide a clinical lead in Orthotics and the appliance department within WUTH.
- Providing support, advice and training as required to Trust employees.
- Responsible for the safe provision of Orthotic devices and in depth knowledge of bespoke orthoses and the material tolerances in relation to the clinical need of the patient.
- To provide orthotic treatment and where necessary, liaise with healthcare professionals to ensure clinical continuity.
- Responsible for ensuring in conjunction with stakeholders that the orthotic devices provide for patient use, both bespoke and stock items, meet previously agreed clinical, health and safety quality standards and provide best value orthotic clinical care.
- Responsible for accurate and timely recording of all patient contacts ensuring WUHT policy on confidentiality is maintained.
- Key Responsibilities
- Responsible for ensuring patients receive best practice at all times and patients are shown illustrations of treatment, and choice, that meets their clinical need, as appropriate to ensure patient engagement with the agreed treatment plan.
- The post holder must ensure treatment is offered in a timely, cost effective manner.

Working for our organisation

All new colleagues can expect to receive a warm and friendly Wirral welcome from the very first time they make contact with us. We are described as “competent and caring staff” by our patients.

Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is situated on The Wirral peninsula which has a stunning coastline and beautiful countryside surroundings, with great activities for its residents.

We are one of the largest and busiest acute Trusts in the North West of England, comprising of the Wirral's only Emergency Department. We provide a high quality range of acute care services and employ over 6,000 staff, who serve a population of approximately 400,000 people across Wirral, Ellesmere Port, Neston, North Wales and the wider North West footprint.

We have approximately 855 beds trust-wide and our financial turnover is in excess of £337m.

The Wirral is easily accessible with excellent transport links including motorway, train, bus or ferry and within easy reach to the major cities of Liverpool, Chester and Manchester as well as neighbouring North Wales.

Detailed job description and main responsibilities

Please see attached the job description and personal specification for the Clinical Lead Orthotist post

Person specification

Qualifications, Specific Experience & Training

Essential criteria

- BSc (Hons) in Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Registration as an Orthotist with HCPC
- Evidence of ongoing CPD

Desirable criteria

- Registration of BAPO
- Prior experience supervising Orthotists including; appraisals, absence leave, rotas etc.
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Knowledge and Skills

Essential criteria

- Experience in treating both inpatients and outpatients
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Knowledge and Skills

Essential criteria

- Extensive knowledge in all areas of Orthotics
- Knowledge of Orthotic, stock products and bespoke manufacture.
- Excellent casting skills.
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Qualifications, Specific Experience & Training

Essential criteria

- Involvement in non-clinical projects such as audits, developing departmental patient and staff information leaflets.
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Personal Attributes

Essential criteria

- Ability to work unsupervised.
- Ability to work as part of a team.
- Commitment to professionalism.
- Able to demonstrate a willingness to work flexibly and manage change.
- Self-motivated.
- Excellent time management.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Excellent clinical note keeping

Further details / informal visits contact

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