



Job Title Community Forensic Mental Health Practitioner

Payband/Grade Band 5 with developmental plan to Band 6 within 12

months (subject to evidence of competency)

**Directorate** Specialist Services

Job Description Reference SPS 5/6

**My job makes better lives by** ensuring excellent outcomes for the people who use our service. I achieve this through excellent partnership working and by following our Trusts policies and feedback of the people who use the service. I act in the best interest of people, putting them first and providing assessments that are person-centered, safe, and compassionate.

#### **Job Overview**

To provide specialist assessment and treatment for people with mental disorder, who have offended or are at risk of offending. The post holder will have a key role in the care-coordination of patients within the community setting as well as Forensic assessment for patients in the community and in-patient settings

NHS Competencies	B5	<b>B6</b>		
Communication	2	3		
Personal and People	1	2		
Development				
Health, Safety and Security	1	2		
Service Improvement	1	2		
Quality	1	2		
Equality and Diversity	1	2		
IT Skills	2	2		
Statutory Requirements				
NMC or HCPC Registration as RMN or OT,				
or SWE				

Personal Competencies	B5	B6
Interpersonal Sensitivity	2	2
Courage	2	2
Teamworking	2	2

Values
Treat People Well
Create Respectful Places
Involve not Ignore
Open, Inclusive and Accountable

## **Qualifications required**

- Professional Qualification as RMN (Mental health) or OT or SW
- Membership of a professional body (NMC, HCPC or SWE)
- Driving License suitable for use in the United Kingdom

#### **Experience required**

- Evidence of post qualification study
- A minimum of 6 months experience at Band 5 post qualification in a mental health setting or direct experience of working in forensic mental health.

## For a better life

- Sound knowledge of the Mental Health Act including those parts related to forensic mental health
- Have sound knowledge of the Mental Capacity Act
- Aware of personal and professional boundaries.

**Suitable for someone who** is passionate and committed to deliver a safe, highly effective and efficient service and who enjoys supporting people to achieve their potential.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

#### Band 5

- Responsibility of care-coordinating a caseload of patients within the community setting
- Ensuring patients' needs are considered through a bio-psychosocial approach
- Work effectively with the multi-disciplinary team to ensure safe and effective care and treatment is provided
- Promote recovery by actively supporting and facilitating independence and social inclusion
- Ongoing management and monitoring of risk
- Administration of prescribed medication in the community setting
- Build, develop and maintain positive relationships with statutory and voluntary agencies relevant to the role
- Undertake mental health assessments in a variety of settings such as psychiatric hospitals and community settings to assist in the formulation of risk management
- To offer support and advice to client's carers and relatives as appropriate
- Provide written and/or oral reports to agencies as appropriate
- Promote the understanding of mental health and related issues to other agencies through liaison and education
- Liaise with any professionals working with the individual including MAPPA, Social Supervisor, VISOR etc
- Provide both formal and informal clinical supervision to Community Support Workers
- Be a resource for specialist advice and information to other colleagues, agencies, organisations and people who use the service

• To undertake any other duties at the request of the line manager which are commensurate with the role, including project work, internal job rotation and absence cover

# Band 6 (in addition to the above responsibilities of the band 5)

- Attend MAPPA level 1&2 meetings as a core panel member
- Provide supervision to Community Support Workers
- Complete level one Forensic assessments autonomously
- Participate in providing educational training within the team and other agencies and teams in relation to Forensic Mental Health
- Link worker role to support community and in-patient teams within the organisation.