

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB DETAILS	
Job Title	Therapy Store Worker
Reports to	Clinical Lead Physiotherapist
Band	Band 2
Department/Directorate	Clinical Specialist Services

JOB PURPOSE

The post holder will be responsible for assisting the Therapy clinical staff to carry out non-clinical tasks relating to equipment storage, refurbishment and delivery to inpatient areas across the acute hospital setting.

The post holder will demonstrate an awareness of the different types of equipment used by clinical staff, the administrative requirements of issuing equipment to patients and possess knowledge of the geography of the hospital wards to enable efficient delivery of equipment when requested.

The postholder will take pride in keeping equipment storage areas tidy and alert managerial staff when stock levels fall below what is required to provide efficient provision to patients and maintain hospital flow.

KEY RESULT AREAS/PRINCIPAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The post holder will be responsible for assisting the Therapy department staff to carry out non-clinical delegated tasks directed by the supervising clinical staff. These tasks include:

- The post holder will work under the direction of the Clinical Lead and Team Lead Therapists to maintain clean, tidy and safe equipment storage areas.
- The post holder will be responsible for putting away equipment delivered to the Therapy department by the Trust's Logistics dept.
- The post holder will hold a trust phone to receive calls from members of staff requesting support with provision of equipment.
- The post holder will deliver and collect items from ward areas within the Trust to improve the efficiency of the patient pathway.
- The post holder will monitor stock levels and alert senior staff when stock levels fall below minimum levels.
- The post holder will support the process for ordering replacement equipment where required to ensure adequate stock levels are continually maintained

KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS

No. of Staff reporting to this role: None

The post holder is required to deal effectively with staff of all levels throughout the Trust.

This will include verbal, written and electronic media. Of particular importance are working relationships with:

Internal to the Trust	External to the Trust
 Clinical Nurse Manager 	
 Clinical Matron 	
 Unit nursing staff 	
 Administrative staff 	
 Unit therapy staff 	
Pharmacy	

Clinical Nurse/Department Manager (LINE MANAGER) Clinical Staff (POST HOLDER)

FREEDOM TO ACT

The post holder will be directly supervised by the Clinical nurse/department Manager and nurse coordinator on a daily basis and will only undertake delegated tasks.

COMMUNICATION/RELATIONSHIP SKILLS

The post holder will be required to adhere to the organisations standards of customer care when communicating with a range of people/patients on day to day matters. They will be providing and receiving routine information orally, in writing or electronically to inform work colleagues, patients or external contacts.

The post holder will be expected to behave in accordance with the Trust's values of demonstrating compassion, striving for excellence, respecting diversity, acting with integrity and to listen and support others.

ANALYTICAL/JUDGEMENTAL SKILLS

To assist as far as possible in ensuring stocks and equipment are adequate for unit/department. Recognise the need for further advice, guidance and support as needed.

PLANNING/ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

The post holder will exercise good personal time management, punctuality and consistent reliable attendance. They will manage the delegated workload and organise their activities across the ward/departments, liaising with clinical staff if further guidance is needed. These tasks will be ongoing and will require daily planning.

PATIENT/CLIENT CARE

The post holder may have contact with patients/ relatives when working in the clinical areas.

POLICY/SERVICE DEVELOPMENT

To adhere to all relevant Trusts policies relevant to role.

FINANCIAL/PHYSICAL RESOURCES

Maintain stock levels and report any shortages to Clinical Nurse/department Manager. This might involve ordering of stock items to ensure a smooth running of the ward/department. The post holder will maintain an awareness of the financial impact of inappropriate use of resources.

HUMAN RESOURCES

To take an active part in the development review of own work, suggesting areas for learning and development in the year ahead.

INFORMATION RESOURCES

Responsible for data entry, text processing or storage or data, utilising paper or computer based data entry systems.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The post holder will comply with Trust requirements and undertake surveys as necessary to own work.

PHYSICAL SKILLS

Occasional use of keyboard skills and computer work. Will require dexterity to manage equipment cleaning.

PHYSICAL EFFORT

The role will involve a lot of walking and a combination of sitting and standing.

There is an ongoing requirement to exert light physical effort for long periods during the shift. The post holder will need to be able to move and handle equipment in line with risk assessments and safe operative procedures.

MENTAL EFFORT

There will be variance in daily duties and occasional interruptions. The post holder will required to concentrate where the work pattern is predictable with a few competing demands for attention.

EMOTIONAL EFFORT

The post holder may be exposed to distressing and emergency situations whilst working in the clinical a setting.

WORKING CONDITIONS

There may be use of display screen equipment for some tasks of the role. There will be occasional exposure to unpleasant working conditions/odours.

OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

Take part in regular performance appraisal.

Undertake any training required in order to maintain competency including mandatory training, e.g. Manual Handling.

Contribute to and work within a safe working environment.

You are expected to comply with Trust Infection Control Policies and conduct him/herself at all times in such a manner as to minimise the risk of healthcare associated infection.

As an employee of the Trust, it is a contractual duty that you abide by any relevant code of professional conduct and/or practice applicable to you. A breach of this requirement may result in action being taken against you (in accordance with the Trust's disciplinary policy) up to and including dismissal.

You must also take responsibility for your workplace health and wellbeing:

- When required, gain support from Occupational Health, Human Resources or other sources.
- Familiarise yourself with the health and wellbeing support available from policies and/or Occupational Health.
- Follow the Trust's health and wellbeing vision of healthy body, healthy mind, healthy you.
- Undertake a Display Screen Equipment assessment (DES) if appropriate to role.

GENERAL

This is a description of the job as it is now. We periodically examine employees' job descriptions and update them to ensure that they reflect the job as it is then being performed, or to incorporate any changes being proposed. This procedure is conducted by the manager in consultation with the jobholder. You will, therefore, be expected to participate fully in such discussions. We aim to reach agreement on reasonable changes, but if agreement is not possible, we reserve the right to insist on changes to your job description after consultation with you.

Everyone within the Trust has a responsibility for, and is committed to, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of vulnerable adults, children and young people and for ensuring that they are protected from

harm, ensuring that the Trusts Child Protection and Safeguarding Adult policies and procedures are promoted and adhered to by all members of staff.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

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Requirements	Essential	Desirable
QUALIFICATION/ SPECIAL TRAINING		
Good Standard of Education		D
Willingness to undertake training		
Completion of Project Search induction and planned programme		
KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS		
Effective communication skills	E	
Listening and observation skills	E	
Ability to prioritise and manage own workload within busy environment	E	
Able undertake direction and delegation of duties in line with role		
EXPERIENCE		
Experience of working in a clinical area	E	
PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES		
Reliability and flexibility and able to contribute to changing demands of the service	E	
Working well within the team	E	
Kind and compassionate approach	E	
Willing to undertake further training for the role	E	
Able to maintain confidentiality	E	
OTHER REQUIREMENTS The post holder must demonstrate a positive commitment to uphold diversity and equality policies approved by the Trust.		

		FREQUENCY				
			(Rare/ Occasional/ Moderate/ Frequent)			
WORKING CONDITIONS/HAZARDS			0	M	, F	
Hazards/ Risks requiring Immunisation Screening						
Laboratory specimens	Y/N				✓	
Contact with patients	Y/N					
Exposure Prone Procedures	N					
Blood/body fluids	Y/N			√		
Hazard/Risks requiring Respiratory Health Surveillance						
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Solvents (e.g. toluene, xylene, white spirit, acetone, formaldehyde and ethyl acetate)	N					
Respiratory sensitisers (e.g isocyanates)	N					
Chlorine based cleaning solutions (e.g. Chlorclean, Actichlor, Tristel)	Y					
Animals	N					
Cytotoxic drugs	N					
Risks requiring Other Health Surveillance						
Radiation (>6mSv)	N					
Laser (Class 3R, 3B, 4)	N					
Dusty environment (>4mg/m3)	N					
Noise (over 80dBA)	N					
Hand held vibration tools (=>2.5 m/s2)	N					
Other General Hazards/ Risks						
VDU use (> 1 hour daily)	Υ		✓			
Heavy manual handling (>10kg)	N					
Driving	N					
Food handling	Υ		✓			
Night working	N					
Electrical work	N					
Physical Effort	Υ				✓	
Mental Effort	Υ			✓		
Emotional Effort	Υ		✓			
Working in isolation	N					
Challenging behaviour	Υ	✓				