STAFF NURSE - HEALTH VISITING
Plean Street Clinic

Job Reference: 0000051384N
Closing Date: 27 April 2018
Dear applicant,

Thank you for your interest in this post and for taking the time to read this information pack. We hope this exciting and rewarding role catches your imagination and that you are encouraged to apply.

As the largest Health Board in Scotland, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde plays a vital role in the education and training of doctors, nurses and other health professionals, working closely with local universities and colleges. It also provides the full range of community hospital services. The Board has an annual turnover of £3.337 billion per year. It serves a population of 1.14 million people and employs 39,286 staff.

The following is included in this information pack to help you with your application:

- Job description
- Person specification
- A summary of the terms and conditions for the post
- Agenda for Change pay bands and points
- The application process
- Guidance for completing your application form
- Working for NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

If you have a disability or long-term health problem, the Board is committed to offering reasonable adjustments throughout the recruitment process and employment. If you require further information or support, please contact Recruitment Services.

We very much look forward to receiving your application.

Recruitment Services
1. JOB IDENTIFICATION

Job Title:
- Staff Nurse (Health Visiting) - 1st Level

Responsible to: Health Visitor/Public Health Nurse

Department: Primary Care & Community Services

Directorate: Locality Children and Families Services

Operating Division of NHS GG: North West Sector – Glasgow City CHP

2. JOB PURPOSE
The post holder will be expected to provide an accessible, appropriate, high quality, culturally sensitive and effective health visiting/public health nursing service to all age groups in the community, by working in partnership with service users, care providers and other agencies.

The post holder will be a first level nurse who will support the health visiting/public health nurse in delivering care to clients/families within the caseload.

They will also participate in health improvement/health promotion activities as delegated by the health visiting/public health nurse.

3. ROLE OF DEPARTMENT
The Staff Nurse supports the health visiting/public health nursing service which operates an open access service to families and communities. This includes ward assessment of health needs, primary prevention, identifying vulnerability and targeting interventions appropriately to meet the needs. The staff nurse works under the supervision of the health visitor / public health nurses with families within home, community and primary care settings.

The service promotes a healthy lifestyle within the local population giving particular attention to the identified health needs of the locality, and target groups such as children 0-5 years, school age and young people, vulnerable families.

4. ORGANISATIONAL POSITION

The HV / PHN Team
Could also include one or more of the following staff
- Healthcare Assistant / other support (HV)
5. SCOPE AND RANGE

The health visiting/public health nursing service operates an open access policy that is available Monday to Friday excluding public holidays. The service does not operate a waiting list, however, needs are prioritised to be able to provide both planned and unplanned interventions. This includes the ability to respond timeously to clients/families who require an urgent visit.

The staff nurse/support nurse (Health Visiting) will be responsible for delivering care to clients/families as delegated by the health visitor/public health nurse.

Skills required include support and advice, parenting skills, health promotion, health education, psycho-social interventions and immunisation. The post holder will have an ability to recognise concerns in their contact with families, such as child protection, domestic abuse, addictions, perinatal illness and elderly abuse and will report these promptly to the caseload holder.

Following a period of preceptorship, the post holder will work mainly independently and autonomously without direct supervision, whilst reporting regularly to the health visitor/public health nurse.

6. MAIN DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES

The post holder is responsible and accountable for assessing, planning and implementation of programmes of care as directed by health visitor/public health nurse.

Programmes of care will be developed in partnership with Patients, Family, Carers and Significant others, and will be evidence based taking into consideration the lifestyle, race, gender and cultural background, and factors which impact on physical, mental or emotional health.

The post holder will work in partnership with colleagues, individuals, the local community, health improvement staff and other agencies to identify and address health needs as a member of the health improvement workforce.

- The post holder will identify and utilise appropriate resources to support health promotion activity.
- The post holder will be familiar with and ensure implementation of local, regional and national policies, procedures and guidelines pertinent to their area in the pursuit of the highest standard of care.
- Assist junior members of staff in planning, priority-setting and decision-making to ensure that they meet client/family needs.
- Provide leadership and act as a role model for junior members of the team by representing the values and beliefs of the nursing profession as well as that of the
• The post holder will be responsible for the day-to-day management of their own workload as delegated by the health visiting/public health nurse.
  
  o To participate in systems of practice support, caseload supervision and personal development plans.
  
  o The post holder will attend staff meetings and clinical and mandatory training.
  
  o The post holder will have the skills to respond to emergency situations e.g. anaphylaxis and cardiac arrest, by providing basic life support.
  
• The post holder is responsible for ensuring that they practice within the Legal & Ethical framework as established by Nursing & Midwifery Council (NMC) and National Legislation to ensure the patients' interests and wellbeing are met.

• Maintain accurate up-to-date clinical records and care plans in accordance with NMC standards for records and record keeping, ensuring compliance with the Data Protection Act and the Freedom of Information Act.

• Provide information to the health visiting/public health nurse to assist in the completion of relevant reports.

• As a mentor (underpinned by theoretical and experiential knowledge) the post holder will ensure that systems are in place to supervise and support pre-registration nursing students. Accommodate other multi-disciplinary and multi-agency personnel who require to gain an overview of the health visiting/public health nurse service.
  
  o Participate in any audits relating to clinical placements in partnership with Higher Education Institutions and implement any changes as required, working in collaboration with the Division’s Practice Education Facilitators.

• The post holder will be responsible for the utilisation of various clinical and environmental risk assessment tools in order to identify actual and potential risks and ensure implementation of appropriate interventions. The post holder will be responsible for reporting and participating in the critical appraisal of incidents to reduce any recurrences and participate in further investigation as required.

• As a member of the health visitor/public health nursing team the post holder will be able to support patients, families and carers in order to achieve optimum health and independence.

• Comply with systems to ensure timeous transfer of client records/information to enable continuity of care.

• The post holder will recognise where there are either barriers to understanding or financial constraints within the client’s home, and report concerns in order that a safe and effective care package can be provided.
- Participate in the development and implementation of audits and participate in research that will ensure continuing improvements in practice and enhance individual and team performance for the improvement of care.

- Participate in the implementation of evidence-based nurse interventions to meet the individual needs of patients using national guidance and standards developed by NHS Quality Improvement Scotland, Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network and Best Practice Statements.

- Participate in the induction of all new nursing staff into the team. Supervise junior staff within delegated areas of responsibility. This could include supporting their personal development planning process.

- Be responsible for own professional development and encourage and support the continuing professional development of junior team members.

- Be responsible for establishing and maintaining effective communications and working relationships with primary, secondary and tertiary care colleagues, and collaborate with statutory and voluntary agencies to ensure effective co-ordination of services for individuals and groups. This will include discharge planning in order to develop effective client/family health plans.

- To have a knowledge of the determinants of ill health and participate in health needs assessment to support health improvement activity, thus enabling client, families and communities to improve and maintain their health and wellbeing.

7a. EQUIPMENT & MACHINERY

- The post holder will be competent in the use of the following:
  - Mechanical / Electric / Tracking Hoists
  - Wheelchairs / Shower Chairs
  - Moving and Handling equipment
  - Bathing equipment
  - Weighing scales
  - Height/length measurement equipment
  - Child development assessment equipment
  - Child growth and development charts (Centile)
  - Injection apparatus
  - Clinical observation equipment
  - IT equipment
  - Mobile phone

The above equipment and machinery requires a high degree of knowledge and expertise to operate and much of it requires manual dexterity skills, and adequate hearing and
eyesight. The post holder is also responsible for demonstrating the safe use of nursing/moving and handling equipment in the home.

7b. SYSTEMS

- The post holder will be competent in the use of the following:
  - Child protection guidance
  - Divisional Health & Safety Guidelines, Risk Assessment and Incident Reporting mechanisms
  - IT system used by all nurses within the Primary Care Division (i.e. Internet, Intranet, Email, GGILES)
  - IT System which may be in place within particular CHP’s e.g. GPASS
  - Documentation of patient related information in Family Held Records / Care Plans
  - Documentation of patient related information within the base / GP records
  - Lone Worker – Mobile telephone Health & Safety System.

- The post holder will have an understanding of the following:
  - Edinburgh post-natal depression scale

8. DECISIONS AND JUDGEMENTS

The post holder is accountable for his/her own professional actions and must be able to justify decisions based on the assessment of the client, family/carer and environment.

The post holder must be aware of his/her own scope of practice and will mainly work independently without direct supervision whilst regularly reporting back to the caseload holder.

The post holder will have the ability to identify their own training needs.

9. COMMUNICATIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS

The post holder will regularly be involved in communicating internally and externally with health, social care professionals, health improvement workforce, community groups and education as well as clients and families. The role will involve an educational dimension with families/carers and colleagues. The post holder will be required to receive and communicate complex and sensitive information on a daily basis. They will actively participate in a range of meetings that support effective communications.

KEY RELATIONSHIPS

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10. PHYSICAL, MENTAL, EMOTIONAL & ENVIRONMENTAL DEMANDS OF THE JOB

The role places a high level of mental and emotional demand on the post holder. This could be driven by the needs of service users and their carers. Mental demands are significant in relation to the retention and communication of knowledge and information. Emotional demands are significant in relation to supporting vulnerable individuals and families, for example, child protection.

Working conditions are variable and unpredictable as the role will involve visiting clients/families in their own homes and community settings e.g. practice surgeries and clinics.

Many of the following skills and demands are performed on a daily basis as part of the clients/families care package requiring a level of manual dexterity, precision and hand/eye co-ordination.

**Physical Skills**
- Weighing and measuring of infants
- Immunisation

**Physical Demands**
- Carry health visiting equipment to patients’ homes
- Stand or walk for majority of shift
- Drive within city/countryside environments
- VDU exposure
- Bending and kneeling
- Climbing/descending stairs

**Mental Demands**
- Concentration required when checking instructions/documentation/patient’s notes
- Calculating and checking drug doses whilst subject to frequent interruptions
- Regular requirement to retain large volumes of information from a wide variety of sources

**Emotional Demands**
- Communicating with bereaved/distressed/anxious/worried clients/families
- Exposure to verbal/physical aggression especially when working alone
- Dealing with child protection/and vulnerable families
- Dealing with difficult family, circumstances or situations e.g. elderly abuse
- Dealing with complaints

**Working Conditions**
- Exposure to body fluids such as blood, faeces, sputum, vomit, and urine
- Exposure to verbal/physical aggression
- Exposure to dirty/smoky working conditions
- Driving/walking in all types of weather conditions
- Exposure to bacteria and viruses
- Exposure to dust, dirt, fleas, lice and scabies
- Needle stick injuries
- Exposure to pets

**11. MOST CHALLENGING/DIFFICULT PARTS OF THE JOB**

The most challenging parts of the job are in relation to the following:

- Ongoing involvement with families dealing with child protection/vulnerability issues.
- Delivering safe, responsive and effective care, within environments that are not conducive to this approach.
- The non-compliance by clients/families with programmes of care.
- Working alone most of the time.
- Exposure to verbal and physical abuse.
- Difficulty accessing appropriate services due to other health services/agencies restrictive referral criteria and waiting lists.
- Working aligned to general practice, whilst remaining within different organisational and governance structures.
12. KNOWLEDGE, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED TO DO THE JOB

Essential

- 1st Level Registration
- Evidence of continuing professional development
- IT skills-word processing/email/internet
- Good communication skills (both verbal and written)
- Ability to work on own initiative
- Problem-solving skills
- Ability to work as part of a team

Desirable

- Minimum of 1 year post-registration experience
- Previous experience in primary care/community setting
- Full Driving Licence
- Leadership skills
Summary of terms and conditions

The terms and conditions of service are those approved and amended from time to time by the National Agenda for Change Terms and Conditions Agreement.

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Closing date: 27 April 2018

Vacancy enquiries to: For information specific to the role, contact: Kate Murphy, 0141 232 9244

Agenda for Change band: Band 5

Salary: Please refer to Agenda for Change Payscale on the following page. All values are per annum (pro rata where applicable). Please note candidates new to the NHS should expect to start at the entry point of the payscale shown.

Hours: 20.00 hours per week

Base: Plean Street Clinic

Contract type: Fixed Term

Annual leave: The basic annual leave entitlement in a full year commencing 1st April to 31st March is 27 Days on appointment, rising to 29 days after five years and 33 days after 10 years. Leave entitlement is pro rata where applicable.

Superannuation: All employees are automatically enrolled in the Scottish Public Pensions Agency.

Healthcare Support Workers: All NHS Scotland postholders that are not governed by a regulatory or professional body are considered to be healthcare support workers. On appointment, you will be expected to comply with the NHS Scotland Mandatory Induction Standards and Code of Conduct for Healthcare Support Workers.

Healthcare Support Workers are expected at all times to practice competencies that demonstrate insight, understanding and mutual respect of patients, their families, carers and work colleagues. Whether in a clinical or non-clinical role the post holder is expected at all times to be an exemplar of person centred care, embracing their Code of Conduct to a high standard as part of an integrated health professional team.

Smokefree policy: NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde operates a smokefree policy on all premises and grounds.

Equal opportunities: NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde is an equal opportunities employer.
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The Application Process

Please ensure you read the Job Description and Person Specification along with the guidance notes on completing your application form. The hiring manager will shortlist an application for interview based on its content, therefore it is in your best interests to ensure you submit a fully and appropriately completed application.

You will receive confirmation that your application submission has been received when you submit your online application form. When we begin to process your application, you will receive an email from NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde confirming receipt. If you have not received a confirmation email within 3 days working days from the closing date, please email nhsggcrecruitment@nhs.net.

Unfortunately, due to the volume of applications NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde receive, we are unable to write to applicants who are not successfully shortlisted for interview. Accordingly, if you have not received an invitation for interview within six weeks of the closing date please assume on this occasion you have been unsuccessful. We hope this will not deter you from applying again.

We will use several methods of communication to advise you of each stage of the recruitment process this includes: email, letter, SMS text, or telephone. It is essential that you regularly check your email and your phone to see if we have been in contact with you to update you on the progress of your application. Please ensure your email account does not treat NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde email as spam or junk by adjusting the necessary settings.

Please ensure you retain a copy of the job description and person specification for the post you are applying for – you will need this to help you prepare if you are selected for interview.

Please retain details of the job reference number – you will need this if contacting NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Recruitment Services.

Should you require further information or assistance in relation to your application please visit www.nhsggc.org.uk/recruitment or email your enquiry to nhsggcrecruitment@nhs.net. Please ensure you have the job reference number to hand.

For details on what happens once you have submitted your application, please visit the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde – recruitment guidance for applicants.
Guidance for completing your application form

Completion of the application form is the first stage in the recruitment process, and if you are successful, will form the basis of your employment record. Complete and accurate information is essential. Please note: If you knowingly withhold or provide false or misleading information, this may result in your application being rejected, or if appointed, may result in dismissal from your post.

Your application form plays a vital role in the recruitment and selection process. The information you provide us with in your application form will be used to decide whether you are shortlisted to attend an interview. Only those applicants who can clearly demonstrate in their application form how they meet the minimum essential requirements for the post as specified in the job description and person specification will be considered for interview selection.

Applicants should read the candidate information pack and job description for the post prior to completing the online application form.

When completing the online application form applicants should read the instructions in each section and note the following:

- the application form has an automatic time out mechanisms, therefore you should click on the "save" button as you go through the application form or copy and paste from another document, to avoid losing content.
- please do not use any special characters (i.e. £, #, &, %) when completing your application. You are permitted to use the '@' symbol.

It is recommended that you complete all relevant sections of the application form. It does not matter how long ago your last employment was, if you have an employment history please list it.

If you have not previously been employed, please use the “Present or Most Recent Post” section to detail what you have been doing (i.e. full time student / parent / carer). Please note that you can list unpaid work including work placements and volunteer work in your employment history.

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde do not accept Curriculum Vitae (CV), unless a CV has been specifically requested as part of the recruitment process.

By completing and submitting an application for this post you give your consent for NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde to commence pre-employment checks, including reference checks, once your formal conditional offer of employment is made to you. Click Here for more information. For details on NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde’s pre-employment check procedures, please visit the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde – recruitment guidance for applicants.
Part A (Personal information), Part B (Declarations), Part C (Application Details)

The job description provides information about the main duties and responsibilities of the post being advertised. It also describes the purpose of the post. Please ensure that your application form clearly demonstrates how your skills / knowledge / experience can be utilised in the role.

The job description and person specification also specify the requirements or criteria (knowledge, skills, experience, abilities and qualifications) that are essential or desirable to perform the duties outlined. Please ensure in your application that you demonstrate how you meet the minimum essential criteria and where applicable, the desirable criteria for the role.

Certain posts in NHS Scotland are exempt from the 1974 Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (Exclusions & Exceptions) (Scotland) Order 2003. Click Here for more information. If the advertisement for this position has declared that we require a Disclosure Scotland PVG Scheme Membership / Disclosure Scotland Check, you must declare any previous convictions, classed as either “spent” or “unspent”, including criminal convictions received outside the United Kingdom.

The Asylum and Immigration Act 1996 states that it is a criminal offence to employ a person who is not entitled to work in the United Kingdom (UK). Consequently, before NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde offers employment, the prospective employee must provide evidence, that he/she is entitled to work in the UK. All applicants regardless of nationality will be asked to provide evidence of eligibility to live and work in the UK.

As a Disability Confident Employer, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde operates a Guarantee Interview Scheme for disabled applicants. Candidates who have declared a disability and who meet the minimum essential criteria outlined within the job description / person specification will be guaranteed an interview.

You must provide full and complete employment references including a work email address (personal email address for employment references may not be acceptable) covering a minimum period of the last three years. Employment referees should be listed in chronological order – that is the most recent first. If you have had more than two employers in the last three years we will require additional references. Character referees should only be used in the event that you cannot provide two employer references covering the last three years.

Any gaps in employment history must be detailed within your supporting statement and will be explored carefully with you at the interview stage.

If you have an employment history of less than three years, you should provide full details of an academic referee or other person who is not a friend, is not related to you or involved in any financial arrangement with you to provide a personal reference.
If you have had no previous employment or have been self-employed you should provide details of two personal referees as outlined above and where applicable evidence to confirm your status (i.e. letter from Jobcentre Plus, academic record or evidence from HM Revenue & Customs) if you are shortlisted for interview.

Your application form provides you with an opportunity to provide a supporting statement. This section is one of the most important in the application form as the information that is provided here will be evaluated and used to decide if you are invited to attend interview. This section gives you the opportunity to describe and demonstrate the particular qualifications, skills, abilities, knowledge, relevant experience and other qualities that make you a good candidate for the post.

**Part D (Equal Opportunities)**
This part of the form is optional and the information you provide in this section exercises no part of the selection process. It is treated in confidence and only the Recruitment Service or Human Resources staff can access this information for the purpose of recording and compliance monitoring, to ensure our workforce is balanced and represents the best candidates from all parts of society regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity status, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and/or socio-economic status.

**Data Protection Act 1998**
The information you provide on your application will be treated in confidence. Only those NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde staff involved in the selection process and processing your application will see your application form. If you are the successful applicant your application form will be retained and used to create your employee record file. Your application form will be held for 12 months, from the date of your application, within the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde recruitment system, after which period it will be deleted from the system.
Working for NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

About us
NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde is the largest health board and provider of healthcare in Scotland and one of the largest health care providers in the UK.

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde’s purpose is to:

“Deliver effective and high quality health services, to act to improve the health of our population and to do everything we can to address the wider social determinants of health which cause health inequalities.”

The Board works in close partnership with other NHS organisations, local authorities and other agencies including the third sector to ensure that social work, education, housing, employment and environmental services unite effectively and efficiently with the NHS in tackling inequalities and underlying health problems in local communities.

The future shape of health and social care provision is changing following the move to establish new statutory Partnerships between NHS and Local Authorities, responsible for the planning and delivery of Health and Social care for local populations. This requires the development of very different relationships between primary care, mental health services, community and acute services.

NHS GGC serves a population of 1.2 million (over 1/5 of the population of Scotland) with services provided by 39,000 staff.

The geographical area covered includes: Glasgow City, West Dunbartonshire, Inverclyde, Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire, East Dunbartonshire and North Glasgow (Stepps-Moodiesburn corridor).

Our services
NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde provides a full range of Secondary and Tertiary Clinical services, Primary Care, Mental Health and Community services included in which are a number of world-class specialist services.

Find out more about NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde at www.nhsggc.org.uk.

If you want to know more about the NHS Scotland, visit www.show.scot.nhs.uk.

If you are successful in your application to join us, you will be working within one of our Acute, Primary and Community Care Services. These services are in turn supported by a range of Corporate Service functions including Administration, eHealth, Finance, Human Resources, Public Health, Corporate Planning, Facilities and Estates.
Click Here to find out more about our Community Services
Click Here to find out more about our Mental Health Services
Click here to find out more about the services in your area

Employee benefits
We offer all our staff excellent benefits including;
- NHS Superannuation pension scheme,
- Child Care Vouchers,
- Bursaries to support education and training,
- Interest free loans to purchase Zonecards for trains, buses, underground and some ferries
- Cycle to work interest-free loans to purchase bicycles and equipment

For more information on the benefits available to NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde staff, visit www.healthservicediscounts.com.

Further information
For further information on any aspect of the recruitment process or for further details on working within NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde contact:

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Recruitment Services
West Glasgow Ambulatory Care Hospital
Dalnair Street
Glasgow
G3 8SJ

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