# **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

## OUR VISION: 'TO BE THE LEADING HEALTH AND WELLBEING SERVICE IN THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY CARE'

#### JOB TITLE: Senior Occupational Therapist (Band 6)

#### DEPARTMENT: Adult Mental Health Occupational Therapy

Criteria for Selection	Essential	Desirable	Measurement Application Form - AF Interview - IN Assessment – AS
Education/Qualifications			
Degree or Diploma in Occupational Therapy	~		AF
Registered with HCPC	✓		AF
Completion of Preceptorship period and evidence of continuing professional and personal development.	✓		AF/IN
Evidence of post qualification study		*	AF/IN
Knowledge			
In-depth knowledge of working with people with mental health problems	✓		IN
In depth knowledge of wider policy and service issues relating to mental health	*		IN
Knowledge of Safeguarding issues and child protection requirements/legislation and how these apply to the role	*		IN
Knowledge of relevant legislation	✓		IN
Skills/Experience			
Experience as a qualified occupational therapist in mental health	~		AF

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Literate in IT/computer skills	✓ ✓		AF IN
Good oral communication skills based on fluency on the English language			
Experience of providing professional support/supervision and motivation of staff	×	~	AF/IN
Ability to assess clinical situation quickly and use initiative	✓ ✓		IN
Experience in of working closely and developing relationships with medical nursing social care tertiary providers and clinical staff	✓		AF/IN AF/IN
Ability to produce clear, coherent and accurate clinical reports including ability to complete required electronic data systems for a variety of audiences		4	IN
Skills in motivating staff	✓		IN
Facilitation skills		✓	AF
Fieldwork educator			
Personal Qualities			IN
Shares the Trust's beliefs and models this in attitude and behaviour	4		
Ensures that the organisational values of caring, learning and empowering are demonstrated by self and others every day and that any matters of concern are addressed in a timely way, either directly; or raised with the relevant processes within the Trust	1		IN
<ul> <li>as appropriate.</li> <li>Ability to empathise with clients, carers and families and colleagues, ensuring that effective communication is achieved</li> </ul>	1		IN
Ability to work under pressure and ability to contain and manage the	4		IN

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stress of others and	✓		
oneself Ability to frequently	•		IN
sustain periods of prolonged concentration for data analysis, report writing etc.			
Ability to balance competing priorities.	✓		IN
Ability to manage unpredictable work patterns and changing deadlines.	*		IN
Ability to deal with exposure to highly distressing situations	<b>✓</b>		IN
Ability to contain the emotional impact of working with people with mental health problems	✓		IN
Evidence of user focus in the development, organisation, delivery and evaluation of care		*	IN
An understanding and positive regard for the needs and rights of people with mental health problems and their carers	✓		IN
Ability to ensure that teams or colleagues are supported to achieve targets		✓	IN
Additional Qualities			
Keyboard and computer literacy skills	*		AF
Car driver – ability to travel across sites and boundaries to attend meetings etc	✓		AF
Uphold EPUT's Customer Care ethos	✓		IN

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