

## **Person Specification**

Job Title: Static Band 6 Occupational Therapist Stroke & Neuro ESD Accountable to: Team Lead Stroke & Neuro ESD

Criteria	Essential Criteria	Desirable Criteria
Qualifications	<ul> <li>State Registered (HCPC)</li> <li>BSc (Hons), MSc or Equivalent in Occupational Therapy</li> <li>Evidence of appC.P.D.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Member of Neuro Occupational Therapy Special Interest Group – RCOT SS Neuro Practice and member of RCOT</li> <li>Completion of Neuro-therapy specific course</li> <li>Completion of leadership training</li> </ul>
Experience	<ul> <li>Minimum of 18-24 months of postgraduate experience across core areas</li> <li>Neurology</li> <li>Older Peoples Services</li> <li>Orthopaedics</li> <li>Experience of working within a community rehab service</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Previous experience with supervision of assistants</li> <li>Previous experience in student clinical supervision and or Band 5 staff</li> <li>Experience of working in stroke/neuro setting</li> <li>Involvement in audit and service development</li> </ul>

Technical Skills Competencies	<ul> <li>Ability to assess, manage &amp; treat neurological conditions and patients with complex multi pathologies at specialist level</li> <li>Ability to teach &amp; supervise band 5 staff &amp; assistants</li> <li>Skills in goal setting &amp; evaluating outcome measures</li> <li>Problem solving skills and clinical reasoning skills – a Reflective practitioner</li> <li>Ability to produce clear written documentation of intervention &amp; reports</li> <li>Therapeutic moving &amp; handling skills at specialist level</li> <li>Ability to prioritise clinical workload</li> <li>Ability to learn and develop own clinical skills with neurological patient group</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Skills in using adjunctive therapies (e.g, CIMT, electrical stimulation, motivational interviewing)</li> <li>Skills in applying movement science intensity programmes</li> </ul>
Knowledge	<ul> <li>Sound understanding of the pathology of neurological conditions</li> <li>Basic understanding of Neuroplasticity and theoretical rationale behind neurotherapy interventions</li> <li>Understanding of National service frameworks, NICE guidance and National strategy documents.</li> <li>Knowledge of the clinical pathway for neurological patients from acute care to long term management</li> <li>Understanding of Clinical Governance and its relevance to clinical situations.</li> <li>Ability to critique evidence base and apply to clinical practice.</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of the Discharge to Assess pathways</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Knowledge of equipment options for neurological patients and abilities to assess for these</li> <li>Knowledge of methods to support self-management in patients with long term conditions</li> <li>Knowledge of quality improvement methodology</li> </ul>







Other requirements specific to the role	<ul> <li>Ability to drive and hold a clean driver's licence and have access to own vehicle</li> <li>Good IT skills with the ability to utilise number of basic computer programmes competently (i.e. outlook, word, excel, databases)</li> <li>Ability to move and handle patients and equipment using approved techniques and work in confined spaces</li> <li>Ability to utilise specialist equipment relevant for patient group</li> <li>Ability to use tools to adjust equipment &amp; furniture.</li> <li>Ability to communicate with individuals with language, behavioural and cognitive problems</li> </ul>	
Personal Attributes	<ul> <li>Self motivated</li> <li>Good time management</li> <li>Ability to work under pressure</li> <li>Flexibility to respond to urgent requests, changes to plans etc;</li> <li>Initiative</li> <li>Always maintain high level of professional standard</li> </ul>	
Language requirement	Able to speak English as necessary to undertake the role	