

Job Description

Title of Post:	Clinical Fellow, Immunology and Allergy
Base:	Frimley Park Hospital
Care Group:	Pathology Directorate
Grade:	ST3+ for 1 year
Responsible to and managed by:	Berkshire & Surrey Pathology Services Director through the Immunology Speciality Lead

Background

This is a full-time post at Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust, based at Frimley Park Hospital with some duties at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford. The successful applicant must have a license to practice from the GMC.

The appointee should ideally hold the MRCP (UK) or show evidence of equivalent training and experience. A specific interest in Immunology and Allergy would be particularly desirable. Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust has a merged Pathology directorate with the Royal Surrey Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, Ashford and St Peter's NHS Foundation Trust, Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust, and Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust, which is known as Berkshire & Surrey Pathology Services (BSPS).

Job Summary: This is a full-time post for a Clinical Fellow in Immunology (ST3+ grade).

Main Duties & Responsibilities:

- Examination, investigation and treatment of patients attending the Clinical Immunology and Allergy Department. The post holder will be expected to attend up to 5 clinics per week (3 allergy clinics, 1 immunodeficiency and 1 desensitisation clinic). Clinics are based at Frimley Park Hospital and the Royal Surrey County Hospital.

- Participation in the internal education activities of the Department including teaching nurses, medical students, junior doctors and other visitors to the Department.
- Participation in the external educational activities, including meetings and courses hosted by the Department.
- Participation in the research, audit and clinical governance activities of the Department.
- Providing medical support to non-medical staff of the clinic
- Performance of administrative tasks relevant to the department (such as writing of letters to colleagues and patients, compiling data, development of clinic protocols).
- Clinical liaison with other hospital departments, general practitioners and other agencies as required.

There is no laboratory commitment in this post and no on-call component. A person specification appears within this job description.

It is essential that the post holder is flexible as timetables may be subject to change as department and business needs dictate, any change would be by arrangement with the Head of Department.

Further enquiries:

Potential applicants are encouraged to contact the department. For further details, please contact:

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BERKSHIRE & SURREY PATHOLOGY SERVICES

Berkshire and Surrey Pathology Services (BSPS) is a contractual joint venture between Frimley Health, Ashford and St Peters, Royal Surrey County Hospital and Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust. Frimley Health is the Legal entity for BSPS. BSPS has a unified budgetary and management structure. BSPS has a single Managing Partner (Nicola Newman), a Medical Director, (Dr Andrew Laurie) and eleven Speciality Leads (Clinical Biochemistry, Specialist Biochemistry, Blood Transfusion, Cytopathology, Haematology, Histopathology, Immunology, IT and Technology, Microbiology, Molecular, Point of Care).

The Immunology Laboratory is located at St Peter's, within a large purpose-built Pathology facility, which is in the main hospital. The laboratory has dedicated areas for immunofluorescence screening, immunochemistry and cellular work as well as a large general laboratory area, and office and administrative space. Blood Sciences, Virology and Cellular Pathology work is also performed at St Peter's.

Department of Immunology

1) Clinical Service:

The Clinical Service operates across Frimley Park Hospital and the Royal Surrey County Hospital.

Staffing

Consultant Immunologist	Dr.Rachael O'Brien
Consultant Immunologist	Dr Patrick Yong
Consultant Allergist	Dr Bogusia Kasternow
Consultant Allergist	Dr Dasha Roa-Medellin

Primary Immunodeficiency and Allergy:

The Primary Immunodeficiency (PID) service receives referrals for patients with suspected immunodeficiency from the surrounding area and the south of England and provides shared outpatient care for patients with established PID who do not live locally.

General Immunodeficiency and Allergy Clinics are held at Frimley Park Hospital and the Royal Surrey County Hospital. Immunotherapy Clinics are held weekly on both sites. Food and drug challenges, and anaesthetic allergy testing are performed as day-case procedures on a weekly basis.

2) Immunology Laboratory

The Immunology Laboratory is based at St Peter's Hospital. The service is extensive, providing Immunochemistry, Allergy, Autoantibody, and Flow Cytometry assays. Current workload is approximately 200,000 samples per annum, which is one of the largest in the UK. It provides Immunology testing for all the hospitals within the BSPS Network, plus primary care, and a number of NHS and private hospitals outside the Network.

3) Research:

The department actively promotes research and has links with the University of Surrey.

4) Audit:

The department has a regular programme of internal audit and quality meetings. It participates in multidisciplinary and multi-professional clinical audit within Frimley Health and the Royal Surrey Hospital Trusts and in all relevant National External Quality Assurance Schemes.

Person Specification:

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Qualifications	<p>Full GMC registration</p> <p>MRCP (UK) or evidence of equivalent training & experience</p>	<p>Additional postgraduate qualification such as MSc, MD or PhD</p>
General Experience	<p>Competent in procedures e.g. CPR, infection control, physical examination, history taking etc.</p> <p>Able to prioritise clinical need</p> <p>Aware of own limitations, consults senior colleagues appropriately and knows when to ask for help</p> <p>Has participated in clinical audit</p> <p>Understands the principles of clinical governance - ensures patients are not put at risk</p> <p>Understanding of the basic principles of research</p> <p>Experience of collecting, analysing and presenting data orally and in writing</p>	<p>Clinical experience in Immunology and/or Allergy</p>
Personal skills	<p>Ability to communicate effectively with clinical & administrative staff.</p> <p>Flexibility and ability to be a team member.</p> <p>Willingness to seek assistance from supervising colleagues</p> <p>Excellent time management skills</p>	<p>Capacity for independent work and taking initiatives</p>
Other work-related requirements	<p>Ability to travel between sites required for the job</p>	