



PERSON SPECIFICATION

The knowledge to be measured is the minimum needed to carry out the full duties of the job to the required standards. Qualifications should be used to provide an indicator of the level of knowledge required. Training and experience is also a means of acquiring the knowledge required for a job such as on-the-job training, short courses and experience to an equivalent level of knowledge which should be specified.

NOTE: Please do not use the number of years experience as this is potentially discriminatory and these will be returned. It is essential that managers concentrate on the sorts of skills and qualities needed to fulfil the duties of the post.

ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	METHOD OF ASSESSMENT
Qualifications and/or Knowledge	<p><u>Annex 21</u></p> <p>This is a development role, and as such the post holder will be expected to complete the MSc in Advanced Clinical Practice and Independent Prescribing upon commencement of the role.</p> <p>During this period, salary will be paid in accordance with Annex 21 of the Terms and Conditions.</p> <p>Upon successful attainment of the MSc and Independent Prescribing qualifications, the post holder will automatically move to the bottom of Band 7.</p> <p>Registered General Nurse.</p> <p>Evidence of registration with NMC.</p> <p>ALS Provider.</p> <p>Knowledge of strategic developments within critical care.</p> <p>Teaching /Assessing Course or equivalent.</p> <p>Mentorship/Preceptorship training course.</p>	<p>Clinical Leadership Training. Basic/ Middle Management training e.g. ILM Level 4/5.</p> <p>Knowledge of quality improvement tools.</p> <p>Knowledge of health and care monitoring systems.</p>	<p>Application Form</p> <p>Pre-employment checks</p> <p>Interview</p> <p>References</p>

	<p>Completion of All Wales Critical Care competencies to Level 5 or equivalent.</p> <p>Understanding of Clinical Governance and risk assessment.</p> <p>Knowledge of the application of evidence based practice.</p>		
Experience	<p>Recent experience in recent critical care.</p> <p>Evidence of commitment to teaching.</p> <p>Experience of leading, motivating and developing a team.</p> <p>Able to work autonomously. Experience managing resources.</p> <p>Experience of recruitment and workforce planning.</p>	Ability to educate and assess in informal and formal situations.	Application Form Interview References
Aptitude and Abilities	<p>Excellent leadership and inter-personal skills.</p> <p>Excellent communication skills – verbal and written.</p> <p>Excellent Clinical skills.</p> <p>Demonstrate the ability to be innovative and lead change.</p> <p>Understand the research and audit process.</p>	Ability to speak Welsh.	Interview References
Values	<p>Caring and compassionate.</p> <p>Competent in critical care practices.</p> <p>An effective communicator.</p> <p>Committed to the development of critical care.</p>		Application Form Interview References
Other	Is aware of and adheres to the UHB visions and values.		Application Form Interview References

	<p>Ability to respond to the changing need of the critical care environment.</p> <p>Awareness of individual accountability.</p> <p>An effective decision maker.</p> <p>Committed to multi-professional team working.</p> <p>Can work flexibly.</p> <p>Demonstrates a willingness to develop.</p> <p>Satisfactory DBS clearance.</p> <p>Able to travel in timely manner throughout the UHB as required.</p>		
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GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Values:** All employees of the Health Board are required to demonstrate and embed the Values and Behaviour Statements in order for them to become an integral part of the post holder's working life and to embed the principles into the culture of the organisation.
- **Registered Health Professional:** All employees who are required to register with a professional body, to enable them to practice within their profession, are required to comply with their code of conduct and requirements of their professional registration.
- **Healthcare Support Workers:** Healthcare Support Workers make a valuable and important contribution to the delivery of high quality healthcare. The national Code of Conduct for NHS Wales describes the standards of conduct, behaviour and attitude required of all Healthcare Support Workers employed within NHS Wales. Health Care Support Workers are responsible, and have a duty of care, to ensure their conduct does not fall below the standards detailed in the Code and that no act or omission on their part harms the safety and wellbeing of service users and the public, whilst in their care.
- **Competence:** At no time should the post holder work outside their defined level of competence. If there are concerns regarding this, the post holder should immediately discuss them with their Manager/Supervisor. Employees have a responsibility to inform their Manager/Supervisor if they doubt their own competence to perform a duty.
- **Learning and Development:** All staff must undertake induction/orientation programmes at Corporate and Departmental level and must ensure that any statutory/mandatory training requirements are current and up to date. Where considered appropriate, staff are required to demonstrate evidence of continuing professional development.
- **Performance Appraisal:** We are committed to developing our staff and you are responsible for participating in an Annual Performance Development Review of the post.
- **Health & Safety:** All employees of the organisation have a statutory duty of care for their own personal safety and that of others who may be affected by their acts or omissions. The post holder is required to co-operate with management to enable the organisation to meet its own legal duties and to report any hazardous situations or defective equipment. The post holder must adhere to the organisation's Risk Management, Health and Safety and associate policies.
- **Risk Management:** It is a standard element of the role and responsibility of all staff of the organisation that

they fulfil a proactive role towards the management of risk in all of their actions. This entails the risk assessment of all situations, the taking of appropriate actions and reporting of all incidents, near misses and hazards.

- **Welsh Language:** All employees must perform their duties in strict compliance with the requirements of their organization's Welsh Language Scheme and take every opportunity to promote the Welsh language in their dealings with the public.
- **Information Governance:** The post holder must at all times be aware of the importance of maintaining confidentiality and security of information gained during the course of their duties. This will in many cases include access to personal information relating to service users.
- **Data Protection Act 1998:** The post holder must treat all information, whether corporate, staff or patient information, in a discreet and confidential manner in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 and Organisational Policy. Any breach of such confidentiality is considered a serious disciplinary offence, which is liable to dismissal and / or prosecution under current statutory legislation (Data Protection Act) and the HB Disciplinary Policy.
- **Records Management:** As an employee of this organisation, the post holder is legally responsible for all records that they gather, create or use as part of their work within the organisation (including patient health, staff health or injury, financial, personal and administrative), whether paper based or on computer. All such records are considered public records and the post holder has a legal duty of confidence to service users (even after an employee has left the organisation). The post holder should consult their manager if they have any doubt as to the correct management of records with which they work.
- **Equality and Human Rights:** The Public Sector Equality Duty in Wales places a positive duty on the HB to promote equality for people with protected characteristics, both as an employer and as a provider of public services. There are nine protected characteristics: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex and sexual orientation. The HB is committed to ensuring that no job applicant or employee receives less favourable treatment of any of the above grounds. To this end, the organisation has an Equality Policy and it is for each employee to contribute to its success.
- **Dignity at Work:** The organisation condemns all forms of bullying and harassment and is actively seeking to promote a workplace where employees are treated fairly and with dignity and respect. All staff are requested to report and form of bullying and harassment to their Line Manager or to any Director of the organisation. Any inappropriate behaviour inside the workplace will not be tolerated and will be treated as a serious matter under the HB/Trust Disciplinary Policy.
- **DBS Disclosure Check:** In this role you will have * direct / indirect contact with* patients/service users/ children/vulnerable adults in the course of your normal duties. You will therefore be required to apply for a Criminal Record Bureau *Standard / Enhance Disclosure Check as part of the HB/Trust's pre-employment check procedure. *Delete as appropriate.
The post holder does not require a DBS Disclosure Check. *Delete as appropriate.
- **Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk:** The organisation is committed to safeguarding children and adults at risk. All staff must therefore attend Safeguarding Children & Adult training and be aware of their responsibilities under the All Wales Procedures.
- **Infection Control:** The organisation is committed to meet its obligations to minimise infections. All staff are responsible for protecting and safeguarding patients, service users, visitors and employees against the risk of acquiring healthcare associated infections. This responsibility includes being aware of the content of and consistently observing Health Board Infection Prevention & Control Policies and Procedures.
- **No Smoking:** To give all patients, visitors and staff the best chance to be healthy, all Health Board sites, including buildings and grounds, are smoke free.

Flexibility Statement: The duties of the post are outlined in this Job Description and Person Specification and may be changed by mutual agreement from time to time.

Signed: (Post Holder) _____ Date: _____

Signed: (Directorate Manager) _____ Date: _____

Signed: (Divisional Manager) _____ Date: _____

Date Job Description compiled: _____

Date for Review: _____

APPENDIX 1

Job Title: _____Senior Sister/Charge Nurse – Critical Care_____

Supplementary Job Description Information

Please complete information on Physical Effort, Mental Effort, Emotional Effort and Working Conditions in order to assist the Job Matching process.

Physical Effort

This factor measures the nature, frequency and duration of physical effort (sustained effort at a similar level or sudden explosive effort) required for the job.

Please ensure any circumstances that may affect the degree of effort required, such as working in an awkward position; lifting heavy weights etc. are detailed, such as:

'Working in uncomfortable/unpleasant physical conditions; sitting in restricted positions; repetitive movements; lifting heavy weights; manipulating objects; kneeling, crouching, twisting; heavy duty cleaning; working at heights; using controlled restraint; driving as part of daily job - **N.B. Walking /driving to work is not included'**

Examples of Typical effort(s)	How often per day / week / month	For how long?	Additional Comments
To comply with manual handling policies when participating in activities which require moderate physical effort on a frequent basis.	Daily	Ongoing	
When necessary travel between sites to oversee / implement educational programmes within critical care and attendance at UHB wide CPD meetings.	As and when required		

Mental Effort

This factor measures the nature, level, frequency and duration of mental effort required for the job, for example, concentration, responding to unpredictable work patterns, interruptions and the need to meet deadlines.

Please identify the normal requirement to concentrate in the post and determine, how often and for how long it is required to concentrate during a shift / working day, e.g. :

'Carrying out formal student assessments; carrying out clinical/social care interventions; checking documents; taking detailed minutes at meetings; operating machinery/equipment; carrying out screening tests/microscope work; carrying out complex calculations; carrying out non-clinical fault finding; responding to emergency bleep; driving a vehicle; examining or assessing patients/clients.

Examples of Typical effort(s)	How often per day / week / month?	For how long?	Additional Comments
Requirement for concentration when report writing and investigating complaints.	Frequent		
There with also are competing priorities with frequent interruptions.	Frequent		

Emotional Effort

This factor measures the nature, frequency and duration demands of the emotional effort required to undertake clinical or non clinical duties that are generally considered to be distressing and/or emotionally demanding.

Please identify how often the post holder has exposure to direct and/or indirect distressing and/or emotional circumstances and the type of situations they are required to deal with.

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For example, 'processing (e.g. typing/transmitting) news of highly distressing events; giving unwelcome news to patients/clients/carers/staff; caring for the terminally ill; dealing with difficult situations/circumstances; designated to provide emotional support to front line staff; communicating life changing events; dealing with people with challenging behaviour; arriving at the scene of an accident.' **N.B. Fear of Violence is measured under Working Conditions**

Examples of Typical effort(s)	How often per week / month?	For how long?	Additional Comments
The post holder will be exposed to frequent distressing/emotional circumstances and occasional exposure to highly distressing circumstances e.g. when dealing with a complaint or a serious incident.	Frequent		

Working Conditions

This factor measures the nature, frequency and duration of demands on staff arising from inevitably adverse environmental conditions (such as inclement weather, extreme heat/cold, smells, noise and fumes) and hazards, which are unavoidable **(even with the strictest health and safety controls)**, such as road traffic accidents, spills of harmful chemicals, aggressive behaviour of patients, clients, relatives, carers.

Please identify unpleasant working conditions or hazards which are encountered in the post holder's working environment and establish how often and for how long they are exposed to them during a working day / week / month.

Examples are – use of VDU more or less continuously; unpleasant substances/non-household waste; infectious material/foul linen; body fluids, faeces, vomit; dust/dirt; fleas/lice; humidity; contaminated equipment or work areas; driving/being driven in normal or emergency situations - ***Driving to and from work is not included**

Examples of Typical Conditions	How often per week / month?	For how long?	Additional Comments
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To be responsible for adherence to Health and Safety and COSHH regulations and act accordingly in the event of an incident. e.g. handling of body fluids, as these are a daily hazard	Occasionally		
Use VDU equipment on a daily basis sometimes for long periods.	Daily		