



Now recruiting  
**Consultant in  
Acute Medicine**



**University Hospital Southampton**  
NHS Foundation Trust



➤ Job Title - **Consultant in Acute Medicine**

➤ Salary - **£93,666 - £126,281**

➤ Contract - **Permanent**

➤ Hours - **Full time (10 sessions per week)**

➤ Hospital Site - **Southampton General Hospital**

➤ Division & Department - **Div B - Acute Medicine**

# Job Overview

An exciting opportunity has arisen to join the innovative and established Acute Medical Unit (AMU) team within Emergency Care at University Hospitals Southampton as an AMU Consultant. This is a substantive post.

This is an opportunity to join a team of 11 Acute Medical Consultants. The unit serves a population of 350,000 and is a teaching department of the University of Southampton. The Acute Medical Unit is a purpose built 54 bedded unit, with an additional surge capacity of 14 beds. We have a Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC) facility that is expanding pathways and services to meet the increasing demand for emergency care both from primary care and the emergency department.

# Acute Medicine Unit

- The unit is divided into three areas: AMU1 (green area), AMU2 (purple area) and AMU3 (pink area). We have 53 beds, 11 of which are in side rooms.
- We have an open plan layout which helps us to closely monitor you if we need to. We also have a high observation area (HOBs) for patients who require more intensive care.
- Same Day Emergency Care currently has 7 trolley spaces and 10+ chairs for assessment of both expected patients and those patients on an ambulatory pathway.
- The department has a reputation for clinical excellence and innovation.

## Department Staffing Structure

### Care Group Clinical Lead

- Dr David Land

### Care Group Manager

- Rob Stockbridge

### Senior Team

- Dr Michelle Oakford, Divisional Clinical Director (DivB)
- Mr Gavin Hawkins, Divisional Director of Operations (DivB)
- Dr Gordon Morrison, Clinical Lead, Acute Medicine

### Consultants

- Dr Bangaru Raju
- Dr Bhullar
- Dr Brown
- Dr Chadwick
- Dr Choudhury
- Dr Dulay
- Dr Ellis
- Dr Kapoor
- Dr Mansbridge
- Dr Viswesvaraiah

### Specialist registrars in acute medicine

10 juniors from CMT/ACCS or GP VTS schemes

6 FY1 trainees

Nursing staff

AHP staff

Administrative and support staff

# Main Duties

## Clinical Duties

- Be available for direct GP access for advice and for urgent patient review.
- Jointly lead the organisation and development of Acute Medicine in the division including arrangements for the associated junior medical staff
- Work in close collaboration with the Emergency Department consultants to improve the management of medical emergencies, to achieve the 4-hr emergency access target and support development of ambulatory pathways.
- Maintain and implement guidelines for emergency management.
- Assist in triaging and arranging rapid investigations to reduce the length of stay.
- Offer immediate support to junior medical staff involved in the management of emergency medicine.
- Teach students and junior medical staff in the recognition and management of acutely unwell medical patients.
- Jointly oversee the nurse run protocol driven DVT and Cellulitis clinics .
- Support delivery of a 7-day Ambulatory Emergency Care Service



## Training and Research Duties

- Undergraduate medical students from The Southampton University Medical School are taught throughout the trust and the post holder is required to participate in undergraduate clinical teaching. The post holder is also required to participate in medical audit and Continuing Professional Development



## Management Duties

- All staff in each care group are managerially accountable to the divisional clinical director who has overall responsibility for the services within the Directorate.

# About Our Trust

University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust (UHS) provides services to some 1.9 million people living in Southampton and south Hampshire as well as specialist services including neurosciences, cardiac and specialist children's services to nearly 4 million people in central southern England and the Channel Islands. With a turnover last year of more than £1 billion, the Trust is one of the largest in the country.

Every year over 13,000 staff:

- treat about 160,000 inpatients and day patients, including about 75,000 emergency admissions;
- see approximately 650,000 people at outpatient appointments; and
- deal with around 150,000 cases in our emergency department.

Providing these services costs about £2.5 million a day.

UHS is a centre of excellence for training the doctors and nurses of the future and developing treatments for tomorrow's patients. Its role in research and education, developed in active partnership with the University of Southampton, distinguishes it as an organisation that works at the leading edge of healthcare developments in the NHS and internationally.

We are a nationally leading trust for research into cancer, respiratory disease, nutrition, cardiovascular disease, bone and joint conditions and complex immune system problems.



## Our values guide the decisions we make every day

- **Patients First** – Patients, their families and carers are at the heart of what we do. Their experience of our services will be our measure of success.
- **Working Together** – Partnership between clinicians, patients and carers is critical to achieving our vision, both within hospital teams and extending across organisational boundaries in the NHS, social care and third sector.
- **Always Improving** – We will ensure we are always improving services for patients through, inclusive and collaborative leadership, research, education, clinical effectiveness and quality improvement. We will continue to incorporate new ideas, technologies and create greater efficiencies in the services we provide.



UHS is different from any other NHS trust. We're a centre of clinical academic excellence where new treatments are being discovered, new healthcare professionals are being trained and cutting edge developments are being put into practice. But it isn't **what** we do that makes us special. It's the **way** we do it.

Although we share many features with other large university hospitals across the world, we believe we stand out because of our ambition to improve and our heartfelt compassion for the patients we look after.

We're also one of only a few trusts in the UK that have the ability to care for people before their birth through to the end of life, providing almost every specialism they could need along the way, 24/7. So if you want to broaden your range of skills, UHS is a perfect fit.

# Key Achievements

- Our CQC rating is Good, we have an ambition to get UHS to Outstanding.
- We were awarded a prestigious British Medical Journal award for improving care for older patients with the development of our frailty unit and activity hub.
- Our women's and maternity care at the Princess Anne Hospital was named as being among the best in the world.
- UHS has worked as one of the exemplar sites for NHS England's Healthy Workplace project. Our 'Live well and inspire' programme has promoted and delivered a range of activities, which include providing health checks for all staff. We have also installed a mini health check machine in the front entrance of Southampton General Hospital, which has proven extremely popular with both staff and the public.
- Our leading diabetes consultant scooped a prestigious award for jointly developing an online education programme to help patients, carers and healthcare workers around the world better understand insulin. The project won the Diabetes Education Programmes – Healthcare Professionals category at the tenth annual QiC Diabetes Awards.
- World renowned children's illustrator Sir Quentin Blake has created a new character exclusively for Southampton Children's Hospital to help reassure youngsters undergoing operations during the coronavirus pandemic. 'The Amazing Fred' has been designed as a theatre mascot for children with the aim of helping them deal with their anxieties.



- A £22 million state-of-the-art intensive care unit that will provide 22 new beds for the south's most critically ill patients has opened at UHS. It features a specialist rehabilitation area where patients can now have physiotherapy without the need to be taken to another part of the hospital.
- The £5 million project to build a new Children's Emergency Department as the result of generous support from the public for Southampton Hospital Charity and our partnership with The Murray Parish Trust, been completed. It's a new child friendly and stimulating environment with elements to enhance the care of patients and make them feel safe and secure.
- Our investment in IT transformation continues, partly funded by national monies awarded through our recognition as a 'global digital exemplar'. The informatics team at UHS Digital has overseen the development of a wide range of pioneering projects to improve the delivery of healthcare services and improve patient outcomes.
- Working in partnership with trusts from across the South, we are the lead organisation of the Wessex NHS Genomic Medicine Centre (GMC). The Wessex NHS GMC is one of 13 centres across the country involved in the national 100,000 Genome Project and serves 3.5 million people from Dorset, Wiltshire, Hampshire, Isle of Wight and parts of Somerset, Surrey and Sussex.

# Why Southampton

Southampton is a great place to live as well as work

## City & Culture

In 2022\*, Southampton was ranked 4<sup>th</sup> overall of UK cities in which to live and work, based on average salary, rent, property prices, commuting costs and overall quality of life. The city offers lower than average house prices, we have 27 schools rated as outstanding by Ofsted and there are 20 green spaces. It has excellent transport links, with an International airport on the doorstep, direct rail links to London and more widely around the UK, and daily ferry services to the Isle of Wight.

With the shopping and entertainment complex at Westquay, the restaurants and entertainment facilities around the marina at Ocean Village, and the current Bargates Quarter development (opening 2024), it is establishing itself as a modern cosmopolitan city. Given Southampton is one of the South coast's most culturally diverse cities, there are also many shops specialising in Asian, African, Indian and European goods.

### Maritime History

Since the Middle Ages, Southampton has served as a key port for the world's shipping industry. Its role as a major harbor city increased significantly in the 19th century, when the city's shipyards grew into a major maritime hub for trade, travel, and shipbuilding. In 1912, the world's most famous liner, The Titanic, embarked from here on its fateful maiden voyage, carrying seven hundred Southampton residents in her crew.

Sailing vessels of all shapes and sizes continue to ply the waters off the coast of Southampton, with superyachts now forming a large part of the port's maritime traffic. The city also boasts a wide selection of cruise ships, private yachts, sailboats, tall ships, and naval vessels.

## Nature

The local area boasts many beautiful nature spots to help you escape from the hustle and bustle of the city. [The New Forest National Park](#) is close by, home to the famous New Forest Ponies who roam freely around the park. The forest is also a great place for walking & cycling, with more than 140 miles of footpaths and over 100 miles of waymarked family-friendly cycle routes, much of it off the public highway and traffic-free.

The [South Downs National Park](#) stretches across the region. The rolling hills, glorious heathland, river valleys, ancient woodland, thriving villages and market towns make this the ideal place for countryside lovers.



## The South Coast

The South Coast is officially the sunniest place in the UK, welcoming over 1900 hours of sunshine a year, and with over 400 miles of coastline to discover it makes for a perfect destination. Stretching from chalky white cliffs, sandy beaches, shingle bays of the Kent coastline, through to the sweeping sandy bays, sheltered beaches of Bouremouth, Christchurch and Poole in Dorset, the South Coast has something for everyone.

The area is internationally renowned for its maritime facilities with a wide range of water sports available along the coast. A perfect location for kayaking, paddle-boarding and sailing.





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