



Job Description

Job Title	Substance Misuse Nurse
Department	Treatment Services
Base Location	Chorley Detoxification Unit
Hours of Working	37.5 hours over 7 days
Salary Banding	£28,504 - £30,241 per annum (depending on qualifications and experience) Newly qualified start at £26,086 rising to £28,504 pro rata after preceptorship period

Accountable To	Unit Manager
Reports To	Unit Manager
Line Management Responsibility	

Job Purpose:

Responsible for the assessment of care needs and the development, implementation and evaluation of programmes of care without supervision.

To assist in leading and monitoring the performance and work of the nursing team.

To deputize for the Unit Manager as and when required.

Main Duties and Responsibilities:

- To plan, organize and deploy staff according to competencies and workload in order to meet service requirements and patients' needs, in the absence of the Manager.
- Act as a primary nurse, carrying a caseload, to co-ordinate and monitor the progress of patients along with their care pathways via one to one evaluation sessions and group work, reporting any variance from the pathway.
- Develop, implement and monitor care programmes, including the assessment of individual patient needs.
- Communicate and liaise with patient's Community based Case Manager, and oversee the referral process to other services within CAIS and external agencies in agreement with case

manager.

- Participate in the development, delivery and monitoring of all aspects of the group work programme, including therapeutic and educational groups, training courses and activities.
- Ensure that nursing practices at Chorley Detoxification Unit comply with CAIS Policies & Procedures, CQC Standards and NMC Guidelines, by participating in the systematic monitoring of Nursing Practice.
- Participate in the Clinical Governance Framework of Chorley Detoxification Unit, to assist in the setting and maintenance of standards based on sound research evidence.
- Participate and assist in the development, introduction and application of research based findings to Nursing Practice.
- Assist the Unit Manager in:
 - Induction of staff and students to Chorley Detoxification Unit
 - Clinical Audit and Quality Assurance Programmes
- Act as mentor to junior staff and nursing students.

General:

- Work as part of a nursing team providing 24 hour nursing care to patients at Chorley Detoxification Unit, working unsociable hours as and when required as part of internal rotation.
- Maintain confidentiality of information regarding patients, with due regard to accountability, Confidentiality Regulations and appropriate Legislation.
- Be conversant and comply with all CAIS Policies and Procedures, including Fire, Emergency and Health & Safety.
- Participate in Clinical Supervision.
- Develop and maintain extensive working relationships with statutory partner agencies/organizations.
- Ensure personal compliance with regard to mandatory training, registration requirements and on-going development as required.

Professional:

- To participate in the CAIS continuous learning , development and appraisal process
- To maintain professional accreditation as appropriate to role
- To attend training provided, organised or arranged by CAIS
- To operate within and observe CAIS policies and procedures as amended and updated

This Job Description provides a framework in which duties may be carried out, however it may be necessary to make alterations and adjustments from time to time to meet the needs of the service.

Person Specification for Substance Misuse Nurse

	<u>Essential</u>	<u>Desirable</u>	<u>Method of Assessment</u>
Qualifications:	1. Current NMC Registration. 2. Evidence of recent CPD.	1. Group work qualification. 2. Counseling qualification.	Certificate
Experience:	1. Delivery of group based therapies and activities. 2. Working with service user group.	Using information technology and database systems.	Application form Interview References
Skills:	1. Good communication skills. 2. Able to work unsupervised. 3. Teaching skills/experience. 4. Managing people skills.		Application form Interview Certificate
Knowledge:	1. Substance misuse field. 2. Developments in the substance misuse field. 3. Information technology.		Application form Interview References
Personal Qualities:	1. Team player. 2. Flexible. 3. Reliable.	1. Motivated to work with service user group.	Application form Interview References
Other Relevant Requirements:	1. Flexible shifts. 2. Internal rotation.		

Prepared By:

Reviewed By:

Agreed by Manager: **Date Agreed:**

EFFORT FACTOR INFORMATION**SUBSTANCE MISUSE NURSE****Physical Effort**

Occasional/Frequent: Exposure to moderate effort for short periods:

Mental Effort

Daily: Concentrate for length of time:

1. Assessing patients
2. Writing reports
3. Delivery of Group Work
4. Delivery of one to one sessions

Daily: Unpredictable patient behavior

Emotional Effort

Daily: Exposure to distressing or emotional circumstances:

1. Assessing patients
2. Delivery of Group Work
3. Delivery of one to one sessions
4. Patient circumstances

Working Conditions

Daily: Exposure to aggressive behavior
Exposure to body fluids, i.e. faeces, urine and vomit
Exposure to foul linen/personal belongings

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