Job Description

Trust Doctor (CT 1-3 level): Post in Forensic Psychiatry based at Broadmoor Hospital Basic Details

Trust: West London Mental Health NHS Trust
Site: Broadmoor Hospital, Crowthorne, Berkshire RG45 7EG
Pathway: Mental Illness or Personality disorder
Clinical Supervisors: To be confirmed

2. Description of the Service

We provide forensic mental health care to mentally disordered offender patients requiring conditions of high security from the South of England and London catchment areas (population 22.8m) within two clinical directorates. There is also a PD directorate in the Hospital. The Mental Illness directorate catchment area has an admission ward, 2 high dependency wards, one intensive care ward and 5 assertive rehabilitation wards. Patients from this directorate are managed according to their dependency needs and catchment area.

3. Duties

The posts are based on an acute ward (up to 12 patients) and half of a rehabilitation ward (up to 10 patients). The post holder will be responsible, under supervision, for the care and treatment the patients. The post holder will be part of the multidisciplinary team whose core members include nursing staff, social workers, a link psychologist and occupational therapy staff. In addition, the Clinical Team have access to staff who provide dynamic psychotherapy, art therapy, speech and language therapy and education. The hospital has a health centre with a GP and associated physical health care staff, as well as a dental service. The post holder will be responsible for day to day care of patients including regular mental state examination, physical examination, prescribing psychotropic drugs, attend clinical team meetings, clinical improvement groups, community meetings, provide medical opinion in Mental Health Review Tribunals under Consultant supervision and accompany Clinical Supervisor for outside assessments.

The post holder will develop good understanding of the criminal justice system, Mental Health Act, offending behaviour, risk assessment and report writing (CPA and Mental Health Review Tribunal).

S/he will undertake six monthly audits with opportunities of research and will attend academic meetings on Monday afternoons. There is also opportunity to teach junior staff and attend regular teaching afternoon

Outpatient clinic
There is no outpatients’ clinic.
On call commitment
There is no A&E cover during on-calls. There will be first on call (resident) duties for the hospital on an approx 1:10 to 1:12 rota involving seclusion reviews and managing psychiatric and medical emergencies.

4. Training Objectives

- Management of forensic patients.
- Effective working within a multi-disciplinary team.
- Enhancing communication skills, including letter and report writing
- Participation in academic programme in forensic psychiatry
- Undertake an audit and participating in clinical governance
- Experience of other forensic settings e.g. visits to prisons and medium/low secure services for assessments or following up patients on trial leave

Example of a Timetable

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