

Job Description

Job Title:	GPwSI Rheumatology
Band:	N/a
Base:	Oldham NHS Integrated Care Centre
Responsible to:	Senior Leadership Team
Responsible for:	N/A
Hours:	Negotiable (1-2 sessions per week)
Contract Type:	Permanent
Disclosure Required:	Disclosure and Barring Service Enhanced Disclosure

Job Purpose

Reporting to the Clinical Director and Senior Leadership Team the role of the GPwSI Rheumatology is to:

- Practice as an autonomous General Practitioner with special interest in Rheumatology, demonstrating advanced clinical competence and utilising highly specialised knowledge and skills to diagnose, plan, deliver and advise on programmes of care for patients with musculoskeletal disease.

Knowledge Skills and Experience

The post holder will:

- Be able to accurately assess a patient including history taking, examination, diagnosis, investigation, treatment and where necessary referral onto colleagues in a timely manner.
- Be able to accurately assess a patient for and if required carry out with a high level of precision and accuracy, synovial fluid aspiration, an intra-articular or soft tissue injection where appropriate.
- Employ advanced communication skills to communicate complex, sensitive and challenging information to patients and families in ways that convey empathy and facilitate shared clinical decision making.
- Provide professional leadership, expert rheumatology knowledge, education and clinical advice to MDT members as necessary.
- Maintain accurate clinical records including using the electronic patient record.
- Share experience and knowledge with colleagues across the rheumatology MDT.

Education

The Post holder will:

- Be responsible for maintaining a personal professional profile and pursuing own professional development as necessary to perform the role.
- Willingness to work towards obtaining a higher qualification in rheumatology or MSK medicine (if not already achieved).
- Participate in learning opportunities within the service such as Peer review and the rheumatology MDT.
- Participate in audit of own practice and share with Board of Directors.

General Responsibilities

The post holder will:

- Maintain their GMC registration and license to practice.
- Maintain the highest standards of written and verbal communication with patients and colleagues.
- Maintain accurate and contemporaneous records, both paper and electronic, in line with Pennine MSK Partnership policy.
- Ensure satisfactory and timely resolution of queries whilst upholding confidentiality.
- Work within the policies and procedures of Pennine MSK Partnership to ensure and achieve the objectives of safe, personal and effective care provision in a safe environment.
- Demonstrate responsibility and leadership for promoting and championing all aspects of equal opportunities by valuing diversity in all areas of work.
- To undertake any other duties to meet personal, team and organisational objectives following consultation with your manager.

This job description does not attempt to describe all the tasks the post holder will undertake. It does, however, indicate the degree of authority, range of duties covered and the flexibility required for the job.

This job description may be amended in consultation with the post holder as developments evolve, and as part of the appraisal process