

# **Consultant Psychiatrist**

# Job description and person specification

Post and specialty:	Community Consultant in Specialist Older Adults Mental Health Service (SOAMHS)
Base:	High Weald Lewes and Havens, Hill Rise, Newhaven, East Sussex
Contract:	Number of programmed activities: 10
Accountable professionally to:	Chief Medical Officer, Dr Peter Aitken
Accountable operationally to:	Service Director East Sussex , Ruth Hillman
	General Operational Manager: Glen McCready
	Deputy Director: Karen Hoskin
	Clinical Director: Dr Laura Brummer
	Service Director: Ruth Hillman
Key working relationships and lines of responsibility:	Chief Delivery Officer: John Child
	SAS Advocate: Dr Susan Hamilton
	Chief Medical Officer: Dr Peter Aitken
	Responsible Officer: Dr Peter Aitken
	Chief Executive: Jane Padmore



#### 1.0 Introduction

Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust is a large NHS organisation that offers clinical and social care services to children, young people, adults and older adults, with emotional and mental health problems or learning disabilities. Services are provided to the people of Brighton and Hove, East Sussex and West Sussex with Children & Young People's Services provided across Sussex and Hampshire. The Trust operates as part of a wider network of health and social care and works in partnership with both statutory and non-statutory agencies. The Trust benefits from a thriving Sussex-wide psychiatry training scheme where Health Education Kent, Surrey and Sussex provide foundation, GP, core and higher trainees. We work closely with Brighton and Sussex Medical School; a partnership between the Universities of Brighton and Sussex. In 2015 we became a member of the Association of UK University Hospitals, the representative body for university hospitals with major teaching and research interests across the UK and internationally. Our 2020 vision is to provide outstanding care and treatment and the clinical strategy we have developed underpins this by providing a framework to enable sustained improvements in the quality of care we provide. With our partners in the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership, we have developed a compelling case for change in mental health services across the STP which is comprised of 24 organisations and strives to improve the links between health and social care to better serve our communities. In January 2018 the Trust was awarded an overall rating of Good by the Care Quality Commission and was assessed as Outstanding for caring.



#### 2.0 Trust details

Sussex Partnership was formed in April 2006 as an NHS Trust and established as an NHS Foundation Trust with Teaching Trust status in August 2008. We employ approximately 5000 staff, serve a total catchment population of more than 2 million and generate an income of £250 million.

In 2015 the Trust reorganised the way it delivered services, establishing Care Delivery Services (CDS), tasked with providing overarching leadership for care groups and / or geographical areas. In 2018 we have 7 fully established CDS's. Overall leadership of each CDS is provided by a service director and/or a clinical director, with a multi-disciplinary leadership team (including a range of clinical professions as well as business, finance, HR, IT and estates and facilities support staff) providing additional leadership and governance oversight. The CDS model has helped us continue to improve services for patients and carers and is supported by Clinical Academic Groups and in keeping with our 2020 Vision and Clinical Strategy. Work continues to provide consistently high quality services, working together in partnership with each other, the people who use our services and other organisations.



#### 3.0 Service details

- **3.1 East Sussex** is situated in the south east of England between the sea and the South Downs with a population of around 544,000. The county offers good access to London and is in close proximity to Gatwick Airport. In East Sussex, 19 out of 329 neighbourhoods are among the 10% most deprived areas in England. Income deprivation affects 13% (69,500) of people in the county compared to 10% regionally & 15% nationally. Nearly 32,000 people (6%) live in the most deprived 10% of areas in England. The health of people in East Sussex is varied compared with the England average. About 16% (14,200) of children live in low income families. Life expectancy for both men and women is higher than the England average.
- **3.2** The Trust is seeking a Consultant Psychiatrist to join the High Weald Lewes and Havens Specialist Older Adults Mental Health Service. This vacancy has arisen due to the retirement of the current post holder.

To work within the multidisciplinary team to provide a high quality of psychiatric assessment, treatment and care to users and their carers in a range of settings in the community. This includes Mental Health Act assessments during working hours and when on call. This post is one example of the commitment of the Trust to develop better provision and capacity for SOAMHS and the families and carers using the service in challenging times.

Related medical and administrative documentation including preparation of Mental Health Review Tribunal reports for patients on Community Treatment Orders.

To operate within guidelines, policies and procedures relevant to the post.

To provide clinical advice, liaison and consultation as required to colleagues in primary care, community services and acute specialties in line with new ways of working

When necessary, covering duties of their colleagues as per annual leave rotas, in order to ensure continuity of medical care.

This post offers exciting opportunities and strong links with The Centre for Dementia Studies that provides an opportunity for the post holder to engage with researchers.

There are also a number of strategic priorities for Specialist Older Adult Mental Health Services (SOAMHS) that include a central leadership and governance team for SOAMHS which the post holder will have opportunities to link in with and be involved in these developments. There is a newly appointed Clinical Director for SOAMHS

#### 3.3 Geographical area(s) the post covers

High Weald, Lewes, Newhaven, Peacehaven and Seaford. This post covers the northern sector of this area and a Consultant colleague covers the southern sector (Lewes, Newhaven & Peacehaven).

 3.4
 The current multidisciplinary team establishment is as follows:

 WTE
 Job Title



	1 WTE	Operational Clinical General Manager	
	1 WTE	Service Manager / Matron	
1 WTE Consultant		Consultant	
	2 WTE Speciality Doctor		
	1.6 WTE	Clinical Psychologist	
	1 WTE	Team Leader Band 7	
	6.19 WTE	Nurses Band 6	
	2 WTE	Nurses Band 5	
	2.6 WTE	Support Workers Band 4	
	2.8 WTE	Support Workers Band 3	
3.5	<ul> <li>2 Speciali</li> </ul>	atry doctor names associated with this team. ity Doctors as applicable	
3.6		f other relevant local mental health services	
	This post is in East Sussex which has a total population of 300,000. Adult Mental Health and Specialist older people services are provided within across Assessment and Treatment Centres (ATC) and Acute Care Centres. The division of East Sussex comprise of three localities: Eastbourne, Hailsham & Seaford; High Weald, Lewes & Havens and Hastings & Rother, serving the currently three Clinical Commissioning Groups.		
	This post covers the needs of East Sussex residents across High Weald Havens, & Lewes and Seaford.		
	mental health occupational t of Lead practit secondary me service –locall Service (based	rt of a wider Assessment and treatment Service that are staffed by specialist a practitioners including Consultant Psychiatrist, Speciality Drs, nurses, therapist, psychologists and doctors and there is a MDT function to allocation tioners/care coordinators. Patient seen under the ATS are those who have ental health needs which cannot be met from the primary care mental health by provided by the IAPT service called Health in Mind or Memory Assessment d in the north of the sector). There is a strong emphasis on Partnership multiple agencies.	
		r Dementia Studies is local and provides an opportunity for the post holder to researchers and the referral of patients to research studies into many aspects	
3.7	Details of inpa	atient service facilities and post holder links with	



Services are provided across the Trust area and Acute Services (both inpatient and Urgent Care Services) are located in: Chichester, Worthing, Crawley, Hove, Eastbourne and Hastings and Uckfield.

There is 1 Dementia ward in East Sussex that provides acute dementia care for both female and male adults with organic needs Beechwood ward, based in Uckfield. There are 2 Old Age functional wards in East Sussex (Heathfield ward and St Raphael ward) – see below

There are also links to the other dementia wards across the Trust Brunswick in Brighton, Iris and Grove ward in West Sussex.

East Sussex inpatient services:

Woodlands in Hastings has

- Abbey Ward 14 beds for female adults
- Castle Ward 9 beds for male adults
- St Raphael 18 beds for older male (although there are 5 beds for older females)
- Mental Health Liaison Practitioners who provide short term intervention on this site

Department of Psychiatry in Eastbourne

- Bodiam Ward 18 beds for Male Adults
- Amberley Ward 18 Beds for Female Adults
- Heathfield 18 Beds for older Female
- ECT suite is on DOP site
- Mental Health Liaison Practitioners who provide short term intervention

Rehabilitation in East Sussex:

• Amberstone Hospital In Patient and Community Rehab

Amberstone in-patient rehabilitation service is located close to Hailsham, 10 miles from Eastbourne and comprises a 28 bedded unit set within its own grounds in a semi-rural location. The service provides active rehabilitation to service users with complex needs. Referrals are received from acute in patient and urgent care services, community teams and forensic services.

• Community rehab provide AOT and rehab interventions alongside intensive 12 week support for transition from hospital or in need of more intensive support for people with primary diagnosis of psychosis



3.8	Teams that support the post holders' team and detailsThe post holder would have interactions with other local mental health teams. They would be expected to form a working relationship with the consultants across the Dementia and functional wards, ATS and Adult Social Care as well as relevant third sector organisationsThe Trust is divided into Care Service Delivery Services:Primary care that is Health In MindAdults that are integrated services that includes adult mental health & later life and dementia careChildren and younger persons & EIS & Learning DisabilityForensicAdult Mental Health Services is managed in 2 groups; a)Acute Services (including both Inpatient and Urgent Care Services) and b)Assessment and Treatment community services.
3.9 3.1 0	<ul> <li>Trust-wide consultant network.</li> <li>The post holder will be part of a Trust wide consultant network. The post holder will be able to access peer support from colleagues in the ATS team.</li> <li>If newly qualified or new to the Trust the post holder will be offered a mentor. Newly qualified consultants meet regularly with peers and the Chief Medical Officer as a group.</li> <li>Local services to which this consultant post relates</li> <li>The post holder will be community based working 10 PAs based in Newhaven and provide reciprocal leave cover for other consultants within SOAMHS community care working locally.</li> <li>Adult Mental Health Services provide an ageless model for functional mental illness and dementia. All job plans will be subject to review as part of service development and career progression.</li> <li>The post holder is expected to fully embrace New Ways of Working in their clinical practice. Team members are able to carry out comprehensive initial assessments, and are able to</li> </ul>
3.1 1	formulate initial treatment plans with Consultant input when necessary. There will be an expectation that the post holder will work closely with senior managers.  Care Delivery Service management and governance arrangements.  The post holder will be within the East Sussex Adult CDS directorate. The CDS is responsible for the delivery of high quality services across East Sussex. The service director for adult
3.1 2	mental health is Karen Hoskins. The clinical director is currently vacant. <b>Clinical input and service development time.</b> The post holder will have pro rata 7.5:2.5 of direct clinical contact: SPA time.
3.1 3	Summary patterns of referral and the systems in place for caseload flow.



The current post holder has a caseload of 70 and also consults and advises other members of staff as part of the multi disciplinary team.

Referrals are managed via the specialist SOAMHS triage service with support of the SOAMHS team leader and Specialist Matron.

The post holder will support referral management and the triage function and medical advice, consultation and screen referrals that may require a medical consultation and in patient intervention.

# 3.1 Detail new referral numbers per week; how the team assesses and allocates referrals; 4 expectation of team members and the Consultant including types of cases.

The role of the post holder will be to provide detailed assessments, formulation and risk assessments, to develop management plans and review these in preparation to transition back to the GP and the Wellbeing Service. The post holder will direct these patients treatment. The post holder will liaise with local primary / ATS care services and provide up to date clinical information on the patient they have treated in their community care. They will provide supervision of junior medical staff and provide advice to other members of the team including the duty worker. They will provide senior clinical leadership to the service.

The post holder will be expected to provide medical leadership in the development of the team and wider working age services, in line with the CDS and Trust goals, in order to provide high quality mental health care for patients.

# 3.1 Expected caseload numbers per team member and the role expected of the psychiatrist5 within the team.

The average caseload for a fulltime Lead Practitioner carrying a varied caseload in terms of presentation and complexity, is 25 patients. The Consultant will be Lead Practitioner for only those cases that do not require another Lead Practitioner (i.e if another worker is required they will take over the Lead Practitioner role from the Consultant)

#### 3.1 Clinical Trust practice or local services that provide extra resource.

6 The Trust has a thriving research network.

The Trust has been rated 'outstanding' in caring by the CQC and 'good' in all other domains. The Trust has strong links with Brighton and Sussex Medical School and regularly hosts students of various disciplines.

The Trust website can be found here:

https://www.sussexpartnership.nhs.uk/

- 3.1 The team works within the Trusts 2020 vision and in line with the current clinical strategy.
- 7 The clinical strategy is focused on developing teams, implementing new roles, working towards providing a single point of access for people in crisis, working more effectively with communities, and more integration between community, crisis and acute services with the aim of providing high quality mental health care. The post holder will be expected to work towards these Trust goals.

Mental Health services in East Sussex have close links with primary care and ASC.

- 3.1 Sussex Partnership is committed to participation, meaning that we involve service users, and
- 8 their carers and supporters, in service decision-making and planning. All employees are



	expected to contribute to this shared value and to support services in the delivery of its participation strategy.
	Clinicians are encouraged to work in a participatory way so that shared decision making and conversations around formulation/diagnosis and ongoing care are a collaborative endeavour with the people who access our service.
	It is highly likely that at least one service user or carer will be on the interview panel for this role.
3.1 9	<b>Detail of involvement in strategic development of team and services.</b> The trust has developed a clinical strategy as part of our 2020 vision and the post holder would be invited to participate in developments and quality improvements linked to the urgent care pathway
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#### 5.0 Clinical Leadership and medical management

Medical management across the Trust is led by our Chief Medical Officer who is supported by a Deputy Medical Director, three Associate Medical Directors and a Chief Pharmacist. Local medical management is undertaken by Lead Clinician

. The post holder will attend a weekly multidisciplinary meeting. The post holder will be expected to work collaboratively with managers to achieve the most efficient and effective use of resources.

Quality Improvement is the chosen improvement methodology for this organisation and the post holder will be expected to:

- Develop a clinical leadership role within the multidisciplinary team and across the service as a whole and work with colleagues and management to ensure optimal service delivery.
- Participate in business planning for the locality and, as appropriate, contribution to the broader strategic and planning work of the Trust.
- Lead the improvement of the quality of care within the team and contribute to improving quality across the system.

The post holder will be encouraged to contribute to other relevant management activities within the Directorate and the Trust. This might include participation in clinical governance activities, relevant working groups, or a future medical management post.

#### 6.0 Appraisal & Job Planning

The Trust is committed to ensuring all Trust medical staff is licensed, up to date clinically and fit to practice, in line with national medical revalidation guidance.

The revalidation process includes an annual appraisal and the Trust's Revalidation Policy clearly sets out roles and responsibilities to support this.

The Trust's Revalidation Support office is well established and provides an excellent service in supporting doctors in all aspects of revalidation.

Dr Rick Fraser, Chief Medical Officer is the Responsible Officer.

Trust doctors are encouraged, if interested, to become appraisers themselves and training for this role is offered.

Group and individual job planning is supported by a clearly defined Trust policy and in place not only to meet the contractual requirements of the role but also to provide opportunities for personal and professional development and to help drive quality improvement.

The Trust offers a structured mandatory corporate induction programme to ensure staff feel supported and welcomed into their new role. Local induction will assist to further orientate the post holder to the workplace environment and to their team/service. Mandatory and statutory training is also undertaken as part of the induction process where the post holder will have access to e-learning modules.

The Trust operates an active mentorship programme and learning set for new Consultants.



#### 7.0 Teaching and training

The post holder will be supported via group and individual job planning processes to provide dedicated time in their job plan to:

- Provide training to junior medical staff, and to other professionals on a multidisciplinary basis, and with other mental health organisations where appropriate.
- Participate in the Trust's core education and training programme on Wednesday afternoons, which take place at various sites across the Trust, as well as regional Foundation and Speciality doctor training schemes as required.
- Remain in good standing in relation to CPD & revalidation.
- Provide supervision to junior medical staff in line with the Trust's supervision strategy.
- Ensure that the post holder and supervised junior staff are regularly updated on professional developments as required by their professional body.
- Contribute to corporate training initiatives within the Trust.

#### 8.0 Research

Sussex Partnership is the most active mental health research organisation in the south of England with more than 9000 participants taking part in high quality research studies since 2010. Indeed during 2016/17 we were one of the highest recruiting mental health Trusts in England and have generated over £9 million in income. We have strong academic partnerships with Brighton and Sussex Medical School, University of Sussex and University of Brighton particularly, and our reputation for clinical excellence is attracting leading clinical practitioners and researchers to Sussex. We attribute this success to our patients who take part and to staff and clinicians in the Trust, by paying attention to all aspects of the research process, from design of new studies, to delivery of existing research and to the translation of findings into practice.

The Trust academic centre offers first class facilities and is based at the Sussex Education Centre in Hove. The universities provide access to statistical support and advice. At any given time, there are several major studies being undertaken within the Trust. Smaller individual projects are subject to standard screening as well as local ethics committee approval before sign off. The Trust's Chief Medical Officer is the Deputy Chair for the regional Clinical Research Partnership Board.

The post has no specific teaching or research responsibilities other than those which are inherent in clinical duties. However, there are opportunities to use SPA time for teaching or clinical and other basic research through Sussex University and Brighton and Sussex Medical School, where Professor Hugo Critchley is Chair of Psychiatry. The Dementia research unit has a base in Crowborough.

#### 9.0 Mental Health Act and Responsible Clinician Approval



	The post holder will be expected to be an approved Responsible Clinician and will be expected to renew this approval according to agreed procedures.
10.	Secretarial Support and office facilities
0	The Trust strives to maximise clinical time for doctors by reducing as much administrative time as possible and a clear structure for admin support has been developed.
	The service benefits from an established administrative support team and the post holder will be assigned 0.8 WTE of admin support.
	The consultant will have access to their own laptop, mobile phone and functioning of both devices are supported by a centralised IT service.
	The consultant will have office space, at team location.
	Private bookable rooms are available for supervision in the same building.
	The post holder has access to the use of clinical rooms and separate administrative office space as well as a locker.
11. 0	<ul> <li>The post holder is required to:</li> <li>Manage the team meetings, supervision of team members.</li> <li>Management of complex cases.</li> <li>Clinical leadership of team.</li> <li>Role in assessment of referrals.</li> <li>Care plan and treatment formulation, guidance on evidence-based treatment and effectiveness.</li> <li>Liaison and collaborative working with other services/agencies.</li> <li>Mental Health Act implementation.</li> <li>Multi-disciplinary, multi-agency and partnership working.</li> </ul>
12. 0	Clinical governance and quality improvement The post holder will contribute to the Trust's delivery of its integrated clinical governance and quality improvement agenda along with the National Service Framework modernisation agendas. Specific responsibilities will be agreed in collaboration with colleagues of the multi- disciplinary community and inpatient teams, the general manager, lead consultant and clinical director. The post holder will be expected to select relevant subjects for audit and achieve data collection targets in line with Care Group objectives and record timely clinical activity data whilst supporting junior medical staff and members of the multi-disciplinary team in undertaking and presenting relevant audit projects. Participation in service/team evaluation and the planning of future service developments is
	a key responsibility. The Trust has a Quality Improvement strategy, A Quality Improvement Support Team, an active QI training programme and partnerships with other organisations



including QI Life. The post holder will be expected to be involved in using QI locally and organisationally to improve quality and safety.

The post holder will be expected to maintain responsibility for the setting and monitoring of quality standards including but not limited to; overseeing patient pathways including case allocation and day to day standard of care; monitoring clinical risk and supporting staff to detect and manage risk.

#### 13. General Duties

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- To manage, appraise and give professional supervision to SAS and junior medical staff as agreed between consultant colleagues and the medical director and in accordance with the Trust's personnel policies and procedures. This may include assessing competences under the Modernising Medical Careers framework.
- To ensure that junior medical staff working with the post holder operate within the parameters of the New Deal and are Working Time Directive compliant.
- To undertake the administrative duties associated with the care of patients.
- To record clinical activity accurately and comprehensively, and submit this promptly to the Information Department.
- To participate in service and business planning activity for the locality and, as appropriate, for the whole mental health service.
- To participate in annual appraisal for consultants.
- To attend and participate in the academic programme of the Trust, including lectures and seminars as part of the internal CPD programme.
- To maintain professional registration with the General Medical Council, Mental Health Act Section 12(2) approval, and to abide by professional codes of conduct.
- To participate annually in a job plan review with the clinical manager, which will include consultation with a relevant manager in order to ensure that the post is developed to take into account changes in service configuration and delivery associated with modernisation.
- To work with local managers and professional colleagues in ensuring the efficient running of services, and share with consultant colleagues in the medical contribution to management.
- To comply with the Trust's agreed policies, procedures, standing orders and financial instructions, and to take an active role in the financial management of the service and support the medical director and other managers in preparing plans for services.

#### 14. External duties, roles and responsibilities

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The Trust actively supports the involvement of the consultant body in regional and national groups subject to discussion and approval with the Chief Medical Officer and, as necessary, the Chief Executive Officer.

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The Association of UK University Hospitals



# 15. **Other duties** 0 From time to time it may be necessary for the post holder to carry out such other duties as may be assigned, with agreement, by the Trust. It is expected that the post holder will not unreasonably withhold agreement to any reasonable proposed changes that the Trust might make. 16. Work Programme 0 It is envisaged that the post holder will work 10 programmed activities over 5 days. Following appointment a meeting will take place no later than three months from appointment with the clinical manager to review and revise the job plan and objectives of the post holder. The overall split of the programmed activities is 7.5 to be devoted to direct clinical care and 2.5 to supporting professional activities (as per Royal College of Psychiatrists recommendation). 1.5 programmed activities are allocated for CPD and 1.0 programmed activity for audit, teaching, educational supervision, research, management and service development which will be identified through job planning. Specific programmed activity may be agreed in line with both individual and service need.

	AM/ PM	LOCATION	TYPE OF WORK	DCC/SPA
Mon	AM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC	
	PM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC – home visits/outpatient clinic	
Tues	AM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC	
	PM	Millwood, Uckfield	SPA	
Wed	AM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC – home visits/outpatient clinic	
	PM	Millwood, Uckfield	SPA	
Thurs	AM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC – Multidisciplinary Team Meeting	
	PM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC – home visits/outpatient clinics	
Fri	AM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC	
	PM	Millwood, Uckfield	DCC- home visits/outpatient clinics	

**Note**: It must be accepted that the resources available to the Trust are finite and that changes on workload and developments requiring additional resources must have prior agreement through Trust management arrangements.



17. 0	<ul> <li>On call and leave cover arrangements Details of on-call rotas, frequency, area/services covered, trainee support, other out-of-hours services, e.g. crisis teams. On-call supplement.</li> <li>The post holder will be expected to take part in the out of office hours on call rota, supported by the Urgent Help Service, who work 9am-8pm Monday to Friday and 10am-6pm on weekends and bank holidays. A trainee doctor is first on call with the rota providing second on call.</li> <li>An availability supplement of a category A, 3% of basic salary is paid for this commitment. The average commitment in hours is not considered onerous and is taken by arrangement from the contracted hourly job plan.</li> <li>The Sussex Mental Health Line telephone service that offer support out of hours will be imminently integrating with NHS 111.</li> <li>A Trust operational manager is on call each day. There is a clinical bed manager on duty at weekends 9 am-21:00</li> </ul>
18.	Leave and cover arrangements
0	The post holder is entitled to 32 days of annual leave plus bank holidays for the first 7 years of their service and 34 days plus bank holidays thereafter and 30 days of study leave over three years. This will be calculated pro-rata for less than full time posts. Annual leave, study and special leave will be covered within the pool of consultants and is agreed and authorised using electronic unavailability management software.
19. 0	<b>Contract Agreement</b> The post will be covered by the terms and conditions of service for Hospital Medical and Dental staff (England and Wales) as amended from time to time. Contracts have been agreed with the BMA local negotiators, but individuals may wish to discuss this further before acceptance.
20.	Visiting arrangements
0 21.	Candidates are welcome to visit our services and meet the team using the below contact details. Glen McCready, Clinical Operations Manager - Glen.McCready@sussexpartnership.nhs.uk Further details about our Trust can be obtained via our website www.sussexpartnership.nhs.uk Approval of job description by the Royal College of Psychiatrists
0	This job description and person specification is currently with the Royal College of Psychiatrists' regional advisor for approval.





# Person specification/selection criteria for Consultant Psychiatrist

ASSESSMENT STAGE	SCR Screening prior to short-listing	AAC Advisory Appointments Committee	PRES Presentation to AAC panel
ABBREVIATIONS	SL Short-listing from application form	<b>REF</b> References	

#### As an Equal Opportunities employer, the Trust welcomes applications from candidates with lived experience of mental health issues.

	ESSENTIAL	WHEN ASSESSED	DESIRABLE	WHEN ASSESSED
	MB BS or equivalent medical qualification.	SCR	Qualification or higher degree in medical education, clinical research or management.	SL
QUALIFICATIONS			MRCPsych	SCR
			Additional clinical qualifications.	SL
	Fully registered with the GMC with a licence to practise at the time of appointment.	SCR	In good standing with GMC with respect to warning and conditions on practice	SCR
ELIGIBILITY	Included on the GMC Specialist Register OR within six months.	SCR		
ELIGIBILITY	Approved clinician status OR able to achieve within 3 months of appointment	SCR		
	Approved under S12 OR able to achieve with 3 months of appointment	SCR		
TRANSPORT	Holds and will use valid UK driving licence OR provides evidence of proposed alternative.	SCR		



	ESSENTIAL	WHEN ASSESSED	DESIRABLE	WHEN ASSESSED
	Excellent knowledge in specialty	SL, AAC, REF	Wide range of specialist and sub-specialist experience relevant to post within NHS or comparable service	SL, AAC
	Excellent clinical skills using bio-psycho-social perspective and wide medical knowledge	SL, AAC, REF		
CLINICAL SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE &	Excellent oral and written communication skills in English	SL, AAC, REF		
EXPERIENCE	Able to manage clinical complexity and uncertainty	AAC		
	Makes decisions based on evidence and experience including the contribution of others	AAC		
	Able to meet duties under MHA and MCA	AAC		
	Able to deliver undergraduate or postgraduate teaching and training	SL, PRES, AAC	Able to plan and deliver undergraduate and postgraduate teaching and training relevant to this post	SL, AAC
	Ability to work in and lead team	SL, AAC	Reflected on purpose of CPD undertaken	SL, AAC
ACADEMIC SKILLS & LIFELONG LEARNING	Demonstrate commitment to shared leadership & collaborative working to deliver improvement.	SL, AAC	Experienced in clinical research and / or service evaluation.	SL, AAC
	Participated in continuous professional development	SL, AAC	Evidence of achievement in education, research, audit and service improvement: awards, prizes, presentations and publications.	SL
	Participated in research or service evaluation.	SL, AAC	Has led clinical audits leading to service change or improved outcomes to patients	SL, AAC



Able to use and appraise clinical evidence.	SL, AAC, PRES
Has actively participated in clinical audit and quality improvement programmes	SL, AAC, PRES
Ability to work in a participatory way so that shared decision making and conversations around formulation/diagnosis and ongoing care are a collaborative endeavour with the people who access our service.	SL, AAC, PRES