**Occupational Therapist in Cancer and Palliative Care**

Queen Alexandra Hospital, Southwick Hill Rd, Cosham, Portsmouth PO6 3LY, UK

Full-time

**Company Description**

Here at Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust, we are proud to provide expert, compassionate care for our local population. We are ranked as the third in the country for research, embedding education and training across the organisation. Our main hub is the Queen Alexandra Hospital, which is one of the largest hospitals on the south coast employing over 8,700 staff.

Our patients come from all walks of life and so do we. We hire great people from a wide variety of backgrounds because it makes our hospital stronger. If you share our values and our enthusiasm for getting it right for patients, colleagues, and our community, you will find a home at Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust.

**Job Description**

Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust and its designated regional cancer centre treats patients with a wide range of cancers and haematology disorders.  An exciting opportunity has arisen for a Band 6 Occupational Therapist to join our Combined Haematology and Oncology inpatient unit.

Are you an empathetic and skilled Occupational Therapist seeking a fulfilling role in helping individuals enhance their quality of life, with a specialist interest in cancer and palliative care?

As part of an integrated Therapy Team, the post-holder will use a holistic problem solving approach tailoring the assessments interventions to manage the complex physical, functional, social and psychological consequences of cancer and its treatment.

As a dynamic Occupational Therapist, you would play a pivotal role in collaboration with the multidisciplinary team and specialist community teams to ensure holistic care, contributing to the rehabilitation and well-being of patients under your care.

Within the Cancer Care Therapy team, this exciting role offers opportunities to lead on projects, service development and education. You would be expected to deliver training and education to team and colleagues from the MDT, and provide supervision to non-registered staff and students.

Regular clinical supervision and peer support will be provided, including time to attend Occupational Therapy peer support groups.  You will also have access to training, networking opportunities, and support from our Practice Education team.

Our newly refurbished Macmillan Centre, located within the hospital, offers support and information to anyone affected by cancer, including support for staff members, Health and Wellbeing events and education. Team members are encouraged to undertake continuing professional development to ensure best practice and quality patient care.

Apply now to bring your skills and passion to this fulfilling role as an Occupational Therapist with Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust.

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with us to discuss the post further or arrange a visit to meet us.  Please contact Charlotte Lane on 02392 286858 or email charlotte.lane2@porthosp.nhs.uk. Also, our friendly administrative team, who can be contacted on 02392 286141, would be happy to direct your enquiry.

**Qualifications**

**Essential**

* Health Care Professions Council Registration
* BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy, or equivalent
* Current UK driving licence and access to car within working hours

**Experience**

* 18 months – 2 years post qualification experience
* Relevant post-registration experience as an Occupational Therapist

**Skills and Knowledge**

* Evidence of supervising others
* Able to deputise in absence of the Team Lead
* An awareness of research and evidence-based practice within cancer care

**Additional information**

The health and wellbeing of our staff is at the forefront of everything we do. We are proud to be able to offer our staff some fantastic benefits including our on-site Nursery, access to our free Beach Hut for those long summer days, our on-site Wellness Centre including a gym and a swimming pool, access to our fantastic staff networks including LGBTQ, Race Equality and DisAbility, and awards ceremonies to recognise your achievements. We believe we can offer support to all of our staff when they need it the most.

We welcome the unique contributions that you can bring in terms of your education, opinions, culture, ethnicity, race, sex, gender identity and expression, nation of origin, age, languages spoken, veteran’s status, colour, religion, disability, sexual orientation, and beliefs.