**Paramedic**

**Torquay Primary Care Network**

**Job Description/Person Specification**

**Job overview**

This is an exciting opportunity for a qualified paramedic to join the growing team within Torquay Primary Care Network (PCN).

**Main duties of the job**

The successful candidate will work under the clinical supervision of GPs, alongside 3 other paramedics, visiting patients in their home to assess a variety of acute and chronic health conditions. They will manage the caseload of housebound patients by creating care plans and carrying out chronic disease reviews. They will need to be flexible in their approach and able to adapt to the changing needs of the service.

**About us**

Torquay PCN is made up of four practices in Torquay – Chelston Hall Surgery, Croft Hall, Brunel Medical Practice and Southover Medical Practice. Together we support a patient list size of xxx?

**Key responsibilities are:**

* To triage and treat acutely unwell patients in their home, making any necessary referrals to community services and/or other members of the PCN clinical team
* To communicate effectively with other healthcare professionals and outside agencies to ensure integrated patient care
* To arrange urgent admission for acutely unwell patients
* To visit housebound patients to formulate care plans and undertake chronic disease reviews
* To proactively manage the caseload for housebound patients
* To identify patients likely to need referral to secondary care
* To support vaccination programmes if / when required
* To maintain current professional registration
* To be involved in client home visiting service

**Person Specification**

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|  | **Essential** | **Desirable** |
| **Qualifications** | * Qualified Paramedic registered with the HCPC. * Full driving licence. |  |
| **Experience** | * A minimum of 2 years' experience post-registration | * Experience of working within a Primary Care setting. * Experience of chronic disease management. * Experience of telephone triage. |
| **Skills** | * Excellent clinical examination skills. * Ability to effectively assess and manage patient risk * Excellent communication skills. * Understanding of importance of maintaining confidentiality. | * Ability to collect specimens including blood samples and swabs as required. * Working knowledge of EMIS * Ability to identify areas for service development. |
| **Personal attributes** | * Highly motivated and committed to providing a high-quality service. * Flexible in approach to adapt to the changing needs of the service. * Positive and caring attitude. |  |

**Disclosure and Barring Service Check**

This post is subject to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (Exceptions Order) 1975 and as such it will be necessary for a submission for Disclosure to be made to the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly known as CRB) to check for any previous criminal convictions.

UK Registration

Applicants must have current UK professional registration. For further information please see [NHS Careers website (opens in a new window).](https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/working-health/overseas-health-professionals)