

Band 6 Mental Health Liaison Nurse x 2 posts
Substantive post - 37.5 hours per week
Mental Health Liaison Service, New Cross Hospital, Wolverhampton

Would you like to take advantage of this exciting opportunity that has arisen for a qualified mental health nurse to join the Mental Health Liaison Service based in Wolverhampton?

The Mental Health Liaison Service is a 24 hour 7 days a week assessment and signposting service based within the acute hospital, New Cross Hospital. Although based at New Cross Hospital, you would also be expected to respond to referrals from the other sites at West Park Hospital and Cannock Chase Hospital and therefore you must be able to demonstrate you are able to travel to the 3 sites as required.

You would join a well-established service that has been operational since 1996 and has maintained very good working relationships within the acute and mental health trust and has developed in line with the NHS England standards for a CORE 24 model into a multi-disciplinary team.

The team provide high quality mental health nursing and an urgent assessment service to individuals attending the Emergency Department, Urgent Treatment Centre and the wards within the 3 hospital sites at times of mental health crisis. The team receives a high number of referrals which can be complex and challenging, which provides an excellent opportunity to enhance your practice and develop your nursing skills.

In order to be considered for this post you will have already gained experience in mental health nursing within an acute setting (in-patient, crisis home treatment) and have robust and sound clinical assessment and decision-making skills including the ability to prioritise your workload whilst maintaining a degree of flexibility to accommodate competing demands of the service when they arise.

You should be motivated, have the ability to self-manage and possess excellent biopsychosocial and risk assessment skills with an ability to devise appropriate risk formulations and safety plans in collaboration with our service users and carers with a view to facilitating treatment in the least restrictive environment.

You will have an up-to-date knowledge of national and local policies. Furthermore the ability to meet local Trust targets in a timely response is essential. The post requires excellent communication skills both written and verbal and the ability to work in a dynamic and busy environment.

This is a challenging but rewarding post that suits well motivated individuals who have an on-going desire to develop their knowledge and skills in the speciality of mental health and comorbid physical illness. Professional development and learning opportunities are available within and external to the team.

For an informal discussion please contact Harminder Lal, Team Lead 01902 481717 or Kate Walker, Team Lead 01384 324720