

University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust

Dietetic & Nutrition Service



SENIOR DIETITIAN or DIETITIAN – Paediatrics, Neonatology and Maternal Medicine

Band: Band 6 or Band 5 to 6 (with training and clinical supervision)
Salary: Band depending on experience
Hours: 1.0 wte post (37.5 hours per week)
Contract: Permanent (Rotational)
Base: Leicester Royal Infirmary

Are you wanting to develop your career in paediatric dietetics in an acute teaching Trust environment?

A fantastic opportunity has arisen in our well established Leicestershire paediatric, neonatal and women's nutrition and dietetic team. We are looking for enthusiastic, motivated, active team players with good communication skills, who enjoys working with children, to join our dedicated team.

The team provides a service to the Children's & Women's Clinical Management Group, University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust, one of the largest teaching Trusts in the country based at the Leicester Royal Infirmary site. This post will either be a training post to start your career off in Paediatric Dietetics as a band 5 Dietitian with progression to band 6 within a 9-12 month period on completion of a paediatric dietetic training programme including competency based assessments. Alternatively a Senior post at band 6 with previous experience in paediatrics. To provide a service on a rotational basis at band 5 or 6, alongside other team members, to a wide range of paediatric local and tertiary specialities.

You will have a great opportunity to develop broad experience in many aspects of paediatric, neonatal and women's dietetics in an acute setting as part of a high profile and valued team of 17 other Paediatric Dietitians working as core members of multi-professional teams with a dedicated Paediatric Dietetic Support Worker and Dietetic Assistant Practitioners.

Main duties of the job

You will be joining our band 6 rotational programme spending half your time providing dietetic cover to our busy medical and surgical children's wards and general outpatient clinic and half working within one of 7 sub-specialities (Respiratory High Dependency care, Cardiology, Inherited Metabolic Disorders, Cystic Fibrosis, Ketogenic Diet Therapy, Oncology and Paediatric Intensive Care) supported by band 7 senior specialist Dietitians.

These senior posts are fundamental to providing an inpatient and outpatient paediatric dietetic and nutrition service to children diagnosed with specific conditions who are managed on specialist diets. You will be a core and valued member of the multi-disciplinary team for this speciality and group of patients.

We contribute to the pre-registration training of dietitians by providing very popular dedicated paediatric B and C clinical placements and you will play an active part in this.

Working for our organisation

The service is committed to CPD and personal development and has well defined preceptorship and clinical supervision systems in place.

The Dietetic and Nutrition Service in University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust has a team of over 65 staff including Dietitians, Nutrition Nurses, Dietetic Assistant Practitioners, Dietetic Assistants, and support team staff providing local, specialist and tertiary referral services.

We are a progressive Service which actively contributes to the Trusts Quality Improvement agenda and has an established service development and quality improvement programme which you will be encouraged to contribute to.

We are in the top best 100 hospitals in the UK and are the UK leaders in terms of our IT, Communications and Marketing agendas.

We also have Dietitians presenting their research all over the world and are committed to supporting and developing your growth as a professional. Leicester is a vibrant city, with lots of social opportunities, we are a sociable and supportive department with staff wellbeing our key priority.

We are one of the biggest and busiest NHS Trusts in the country, incorporating the General, Glenfield and Royal Infirmary hospitals. We have our very own Children's Hospital and run one of the country's leading heart centres.

For more details please see detailed job description and job specification.

Interested and want more information or an informal chat /or visit?

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