#### HULL UNIVERSITY TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

# PERSON SPECIFICATION – HIGHLY SPECIALIST CARDIAC PHYSIOLOGIST IN Echocardiography (Band 7)

#### **Qualifications - Essential**

- BSc (Hons) in Clinical Physiology (Cardiology) or BSc (Hons) Healthcare Science (Cardiology) or equivalent level with appropriate experience e.g. HNC (Medical Physics & Physiological Measurement) & a minimum of at least 2 years work experience.
- British Society of Echocardiography (BSE) proficiency Accreditation
- Active member of the British Society of Echocardiography
- RCCP registration or eligible to apply for
- Maintain own Continual Professional Development as directed by the Trust and British Society of Echocardiography

#### **Desirable**

• Holds a current Immediate Life support certificate and is able to defibrillate and resuscitate patients without supervision.

# **Experience - Essential**

- Ability to perform transthoracic Echocardiograms independently to a high standard in accordance with BSE guidelines and departmental standards.
- Experience of providing specialist unsupervised diagnostic reports to a high standard and able to highlight and act upon urgent findings.
- Experience of providing a wide range of cardiac diagnostics.
- Professional membership of relevant professional body obtained through examination
- Experience of supervision/training of junior staff and other healthcare professionals.
- Previous experience of staff supervision, including prioritizing and allocating duties.

# **Experience – Desirable**

• Experience in supervision and assessment

### **Skills and Knowledge - Essential**

- Highly developed specialist expertise gained through professional registration with British Society of Echocardiography accreditation examination.
- A highly developed knowledge of cardiac ultrasound theory and the relevant skills to be deemed competent by the Clinical Lead in Diagnostic Imaging to perform and report their own and other nonaccredited Physiologists patient studies.
- Advanced knowledge and skills for the accurate interpretation of of complex clinical requests for diagnostic tests.
- Knowledge and ability to perform of a full range of other diagnostic tests as detailed in the job description.
- Knowledge and ability to perform cardiac diagnostic tests unsupervised and produce factual reports where applicable.
- Ability and knowledge to interpret test results and to act accordingly to provide the best clinical outcome for patients.
- To be able to analyze a range of complex measurements, make appropriate decisions and judgments to aid clinical diagnosis.
- Highly developed communication skills to explain test procedures to patients and relatives.
- Ability to communicate and receive highly sensitive information to patients, relatives and colleagues where tact reassurance and empathy are paramount.
- Ability to produce highly specialist information in clinical reports for the diagnosis and treatment of cardiac abnormalities
- Able to prioritize own work and that of junior staff.
- Capable of supervising and assisting with the training of trainee physiologists.
- Promotes high standards of patient care and staff moral through high professional standards and leadership.
- Ability to show initiative and respond to service needs.
- Ability to work and manage work load effectively under pressure and adapt to change.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Knowledge of national and local codes of practice/protocols.
- Appreciates the importance of confidentiality.
- IT skills necessary for accurate documentation of tests and reports.

# <u>Skills And Knowledge – Desirable</u>

- Some experience in specialty imaging procedures e.g contrast Echocardiography
- Ability to self-educate and continuously improve
- Maintain infection control standards within the department