

NHS Foundation Trust

Job Features Form

Job features for the post of exposure prone procedures (EPP) workers - Nursing

The post may include the following but is not exhaustive.

Job features	Job features	Job features	
Exposure prone	 Hazardous	 Extreme temperature	
procedures *	substances	(hot or cold	
		environment)	
Patient contact	 Managing people	 Working with hard wood dust	
Exposure to body	 Ionising radiation	Working in a	
fluids		stressful	
		environment	
Food handling	Driving as part of		
	the job		
Night work or	 Waste handling		
unsocial hours			
Lone working	 Manual handling		
Working with	 Specialist		
children/vulnerable	equipment, for		
adults	example power		
	hammers		
Working at heights	Overseas travel for		
for example using	work purposes		
ladders			
Working with	Working in confined		
animals	spaces		

*Exposure prone procedure (EPP)

"Exposure prone procedures (EPP) are those where there is a risk that injury to the worker may result in the exposure of the patient's open tissues to the blood of the worker. These include procedures where the worker's gloved hands may be in contact with sharp instruments, needle tips and sharp tissues (e.g. spicules of bone or teeth) inside the patients open body cavity, wound or confined anatomical space where the hands or fingertips may not be completely visible at all times". Department of Health 1998, General Principles of BBV Infection Control and Exposure Prone Procedures.

All staff in this group must be seen in occupational health (OH) prior to your start date with the Trust. Without documentary clearance from the occupational health department employees are not permitted to undertake exposure prone procedures.

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