## **Functional Requirements Form**

## Job reference number: 25225497

The purpose of this information is to help you decide if you need any work place adjustments to help you achieve the full remit of your job role.

The first column will be completed by the recruiting manager. He/ she will check the rows that apply to your job role. You only need to look at the rows that are checked. The second column gives some examples of health conditions that may affect your ability to undertake the requirements identified by the recruiting manager. There may be other conditions not listed that may affect the job role. The right hand column gives examples of the range of support or adjustments available for those with health conditions or what the Trust can do to protect your health and wellbeing particularly if you have a health condition or disability. Reasonable adjustments are available for those with disabilities in compliance with the Equality Act 2010

If you are unsure about any of the information below, you may contact the occupational health department on 020 3313 3063 and ask to speak to one of the occupational health nurse advisers. You may also contact your recruiting manager if you are unsure about any aspect of your job/role or workplace.

Your completed form should be returned to Recruitment as specified on the offer letter. If you have any health condition or disability requiring support Recruitment will notify Occupational Health and an occupational health nurse will contact you to find out how your health may affect your job and how we can help support you.

| Job title: Band 3 Dietetic Assistant | Department: Nutrition & Dietetics | Site: Hammersmith Hospital | Division: Medicine & Integrated |
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| Care                                 |                                   |                            |                                 |

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| Functional requirement – your manager will tick all that apply to this role   | Health problems that may affect work tasks   | Adjustments/support that may be available   |
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| <ul> <li>Direct regular contact with<br/>patients or handling specimens</li> </ul>  | Low immunity due to conditions such as HIV infection, lupus or drug treatment such as chemotherapy or high dose steroids may             | It is essential that you have immunity to hepatitis B,<br>measles, mumps and rubella, chicken pox and<br>tuberculosis. You will also require annual seasonal flu  |
| These will include most nursing and medical roles, allied health professionals, nursery workers, laboratory staff, porters          | make you vulnerable to some infections.<br>High risk patients require a higher level of<br>protection against infectious diseases. Staff | vaccination. You will be required to attend<br>occupational health on your first day of work and are<br>requested to ensure you have your up to date<br>vaccination record and any laboratory reports available |
| <ul> <li>Direct regular contact with high<br/>risk patients including<br/>immunosuppressed, pregnant<br/>women, neonates</li> </ul> | working with this patient group must comply<br>with immunity requirements or may need<br>restrictions on work or redeployment.           | on your first day.  |

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| <ul> <li>Exposure prone procedures (EPP) such as work in delivery suites, operating theatres or trauma within A &amp; E</li> <li>All surgeons, medical staff in A&amp;E, Urology, Obs and Gynae, require clearance to practice exposure prone procedures (EPP).</li> <li>Midwives, theatre nurses, ODPs, dental nurses and A&amp;E nurses require clearance to practice exposure prone procedures (EPP).</li> <li>This does not apply to HCAs and AHPs.</li> </ul> | The UK Department of Health states that<br>healthcare workers performing EPP must not<br>be infected with HIV or be infectious for<br>hepatitis B or hepatitis C infection.  | At this time HIV infection is not compatible with EPP<br>work. However in many cases, someone with HIV<br>infection may be able to work with specific restrictions<br>on their practice. EPP workers infected with hepatitis<br>B or C may require additional tests of infectivity before<br>a decision about EPP clearance can be given. Again,<br>some restrictions on practice may be sufficient to allow<br>the infected healthcare worker to work.                           |
| <ul> <li>Ability to undertake general physically demanding work including regularly moving/handling patients, lifting or moving loads &gt; 5kg, frequent walking (or running in an emergency) or prolonged standing</li> <li>This job may require regular pushing, pulling,</li> </ul>   | Musculoskeletal problems (back, neck, arms,<br>shoulders, joints etc). Conditions that cause<br>fatigue.<br>If you have a problem that causes back pain<br>particularly or have problems with your joints<br>especially knees or feet you should let us<br>know. | Most musculoskeletal problems are minor and resolve<br>with treatment. Some chronic problems may require<br>adjustments if mobility, strength, grip or flexibility is<br>impaired. Patient moving and handling equipment<br>should be available in all clinical areas. Adjustments to<br>the workplace, equipment and work practices are<br>possible. Support is available from the staff<br>physiotherapist, the moving and handling advisors and<br>the health and safety team. |
| lifting and carrying of heavy loads such as<br>patients, trolleys, equipment and materials or<br>wearing lead apron, travelling across the<br>hospital   |  |   |
| <ul> <li>Resilience to workplace<br/>pressures including working to<br/>deadlines or in stressful<br/>environments.</li> </ul>   | Mental health problems including anxiety or<br>panic disorders, depression, bipolar affective<br>disorders, schizophrenia. Some medications<br>used to treat these conditions may causes<br>side effects such as sedation, tiredness or                          | Support is available from CONTACT, the staff<br>counselling and stress management service,<br>occupational health and your manager. Please declare<br>if you have significant current/ ongoing mental health<br>problems (including work related stress). You will be   |
| Working in the health service can be busy<br>and pressurised at times and work in patient  | reduced concentration. Other conditions that may be affected by stress include epilepsy,   | contacted by an occupational health adviser for a confidential discussion. The Trust has a robust stress  |

| areas can be distressing due to patients with serious illness or death. Starting a new job | management policy and process that can help minimise the effect of workplace stress. |
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| can add additional pressures.  |  |

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| Regular night work including on-calls   | Diabetes, epilepsy, heart conditions, sleep<br>disorders such as sleep apnoea.  | For most people it takes a little time to get used to shift<br>patterns i.e. change in dietary and sleep patterns. This<br>may be made more difficult by some health conditions.<br>Temporary or permanent adjustments may be required<br>although most people with underlying health conditions<br>can work a variety of shifts without adversely affecting<br>their health. |
| Working alone, in confined spaces or at heights   | Diabetes, epilepsy, heart conditions, mental<br>health conditions including anxiety or panic<br>disorders, claustrophobia, respiratory  | We may be able to put in place additional safe systems<br>of work to protect you or we may need some minor<br>restrictions or modifications to your work.   |
| These tasks may be dangerous for those with certain health conditions and may   | conditions.   |   |
| require training and specific safety measures to protect your health.   | Any of these conditions may put you or<br>others at risk if something goes wrong and so<br>it is important you let us know about these. |   |
| <ul> <li>✓ Activities requiring good hand<br/>strength, or dexterity</li> <li>These tasks may also include those requiring</li> </ul> | Musculoskeletal problems (back, neck, arms, shoulders, joints etc).   | Most musculoskeletal problems are minor and resolve<br>with treatment. Some chronic problems may require<br>adjustments if mobility, strength, grip or flexibility is   |
| steady hand, fine motor movements or delicate manipulation  | If you have problems with the hands or wrist<br>such as repetitive strain type conditions you<br>must let us know.                      | impaired. Adjustments to the workplace, equipment<br>and work practices are possible. Support is available<br>from the staff physiotherapist, the moving and handling<br>advisors and the health and safety team.   |
| <ul> <li>✓ Regular computer-based work or<br/>desk-based work</li> </ul>  | Musculoskeletal problems (back, neck, arms, shoulders, joints etc), eye conditions or conditions affecting the hands or wrists.         | Most musculoskeletal problems are minor and resolve<br>with treatment. Some chronic problems may require<br>adjustments if mobility, strength, grip or flexibility is<br>impaired. Adjustments to the workplace, equipment<br>and work practices are possible. Support is available   |

|  | If you have a condition that may be affected        | from the staff physiotherapist, the moving and handling  |
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| will tick all that apply to this role          | tasks   |  |
| ✓ Good hearing and vision including            | Seppsorty your oblems i.e. hearing, sight (that are | Angen and the second se |
| accurate colour vision.                        | not corrected by spectacles, lenses or              | sensory deficit that may impact on staff safety.   |
|  | hearing aids) which may include colour              | Adjustments available may include hearing loops,   |
| Some aspects of this role may have safety      | blindness, detached retina, macular                 | adapted telephones, training for staff in understanding  |
| critical features such as visual or audible    | degeneration or profound hearing loss.              | disability.  |
| alarms or colour coded components. Many        |   |  |
| roles include the necessity to accurately read | Dyslexia can pose additional problems for           | A specialist report on dyslexia may be necessary to put  |
| patient written or electronic information      | computing and reading or recording complex          | in place suitable adjustments that will protect both the   |
| quickly and in pressured situations.           | health information and additional specialist        | healthcare worker and patients.  |
|  | support may be required.                            |  |
| ✓ Working with chemicals,                      | Skin conditions i.e. eczema, dermatitis,            | Those with a pre existing skin problem require skin  |
| substances or work processes                   | allergies, psoriasis                                | surveillance and may need adjustments. Alternatives  |
| that can affect the skin including             |   | to most products can be found to accommodate skin  |
| wet work, use of latex gloves or               | If you have any of these conditions let us          | issues. Temporary adjustments may be made for those  |
| skin irritants or sensitisers                  | know as you may be particularly vulnerable if       | with broken skin on their hands.   |
|  | adequate support is not provided                    | Those with suspected work-related allergies may be   |
|  |   | referred for allergy testing.  |
|  | Working with broken skin on hands is an             |  |
|  | infection control risk you work with patients or    |  |
|  | specimens   |  |