A Career in the Children’s, Women’s & Diagnostics Division

University Hospitals of North Midlands
NHS Trust

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The UK’s most modern facilities and committed teams make UHNM a great place to work.

University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) is one of the largest and most modern in the country.

We serve around three million people and we’re highly regarded for our facilities, teaching and research.

The Trust has around 1,450 inpatient beds across sites in Stoke-on-Trent and Stafford.

Our 11,700 strong workforce provide emergency treatment, planned operations and medical care from the Royal Stoke University Hospital and the County Hospital at Stafford.

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We are a fast-paced, dynamic and evolving organisation who can offer a wealth of opportunities to clinical and non-clinical staff interested in a rewarding and varied career. Excellent and safe patient care requires commitment, compassion and competence. Colleagues throughout UHNM have these attributes in abundance and we are always on the lookout for new talent to help us provide and develop world-class services. Our friendly staff will guarantee you a warm welcome.

We are proud to care not only for our local populations in Stoke and Stafford, but for those from further afield who are prepared to travel to our hospitals so that they can benefit from the high-quality specialist surgery, research, treatment and facilities available here. We are the specialist centre for major trauma for the North Midlands and North Wales. Happy staff make for happy patients, and with the help of both we have put together a wide range of development and support packages aimed at ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to fulfil their potential and meet their aspirations as well as the tools to provide great care.

Further improvements and investment are due at both our major sites including new wards, renal dialysis and chemotherapy units and orthopaedic theatre at County Hospital and a fifth MRI scanner and two new theatres at Stoke. UHNM have now taken on responsibility for a number of beds at community hospitals in Bradwell and Cheadle, offering further opportunities for those wishing to work in a community setting as well as the acute sector, or across both.

Colleagues living locally enjoy the benefits of the beautiful Staffordshire countryside, access to the Peak District, fantastic transport links to major cities, excellent schools and lower than average housing costs.

If we sound like your kind of trust, we’d love to hear from you.
Opportunity for all Trust employees to upskill

UHNM provides staff with opportunities to learn and develop their role. As well as updating skills to do their jobs with statutory and mandatory learning, staff can see UHNM mentors who encourage colleagues to learn more with courses in the workplace or in local colleges or training providers.

The Trust’s Healthcare Careers and Skills Academy is the home of the Organisational Development Team who offer a wide range of services to support teams to achieve their aims and ambitions.

These opportunities start from day 1. Comprehensive career support is on offer with a number of available routes into UHNM including apprenticeships, work experience, Prince’s Trust programmes and a multitude of NVQs including Business Administration, Healthcare Support, Management and Pharmacy.

Staff are fully supported through these programmes as the team offer advice and skills aimed at equipping talent for the future.

It doesn’t stop there! As an employee of UHNM you can expect on-going learning and development, including Leadership Development, Mentoring and Coaching, Customer Care for patients and a number of other courses to boost skills and create exciting development opportunities for all.

Health Professionals of the Future learn at centres in North Midlands

We work closely with Staffordshire and Keele Universities to provide excellent placements for students here at the University Hospitals of North Midlands.

Purpose-built, modern facilities at the University of Keele, Staffordshire University and UHNM sites attract the next generations of doctors, nurses, radiographers, pharmacists, scientists and technologists to train and work at the hospital.

The university’s medical school trains more than 130 students in each of the five years of its undergraduate programme. All third years study at UHNM, many spend years four and five at the hospital, with some working in Shropshire.

Meanwhile, hundreds of midwives, radiographers, nurses, biomedical scientists, pharmacists, technicians and nursing assistants across a range of clinical specialties train at the university and go on to work at the hospitals.

Modern innovative curriculums for all students make the most of purpose-built facilities at both the university campus and the hospitals. It’s part of a learning and training package which aims to develop the very best clinicians, nursing and clinical staff and encourage them to stay and work here.

There are lots of unique opportunities while training at UHNM. A student-led volunteer scheme, Med-Path, has been developed in partnership with the University Hospitals of North Midlands Skills Academy, whereby medical students are involved in delivering activities and developing opportunities within local schools and colleges. UHNM has seen year on year growth in clinical placements offered at the hospital, with an amazing 41,000 days completed and 200 qualified nurses and midwives welcomed in 2014/15.

For our registered staff we continue to offer a preceptorship programme and we supported 347 staff to undertake a degree or masters level study to ensure we develop our workforce to meet the changes in service delivery.

There are also well-subscribed courses for qualifications in pharmacy, radiography and biomedical sciences.
Thousands of patients sign up to take part in ground-breaking research projects that put UHNM at the heart of developing health technologies of the future.

Our thriving Research and Development department strives to provide high quality, pioneering research at every stage of patient care. A core part of the NHS is creating a culture of innovation and giving patients the opportunity to get involved in all aspects of research.

More than 3,500 patients per year are recruited into studies lead by internationally renowned researchers at the UHNMs to aid in a variety of areas including stroke, cancer, neurology, imaging and respiratory medicine.

Within the department, research nurses, radiographers, pharmacists and midwives work alongside clinicians, multidisciplinary teams and support services to identify potential research participants, discuss trials with patients and provide care throughout the studies.

Ranked in the top 15 per cent of research active trusts, UHNM works in partnership with Keele University to deliver studies that can help patients all over the world.

Keele’s position as a leading university for cutting-edge research has been confirmed by the UK-wide Research Excellence Framework (REF), which assesses the quality of studies in higher education institutions in the UK.

The REF results revealed that 97 per cent of the University’s research is classified as world leading and of international importance and with further academic investment, the UHNM aims to become a nationally recognised Centre of Excellence for health-related research by 2018.

The Children’s, Women’s and Diagnostics Division (CWD) has a medical research lead underpinned by a group of enthusiastic research leads to progress our strategy.

**EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION**

PhD research student Abigail Rutter using SIFT-MS breath analysis equipment with samples of exhaled breath in bags.

Taking part in research had a positive impact on our lives.

Patient involved in UHNM research programme.

Research programme shapes the DEVELOPMENT OF NEW CARE.

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Chief Nurse Liz Rix explained that nurses were at the heart of the Trust’s ambition to become a world class provider of health services. She said: “The nursing profession will always face challenges both locally and nationally. By working as a team and through consistent delivery of strong nursing leadership at every level of the organisation, we are confident that we will succeed in becoming a top performing Trust. “We are passionate about making lives better. We are dedicated to clinical excellence, inspiring and supporting our nurses and putting our patients at the heart of everything we do. We would love you to be part of our team. If you are passionate, caring and enthusiastic, come and join us.”

Nurse bank
The nurse bank offers the opportunity for people to work flexibly in services across the Trust.
Nutrition and Dietetics

is a well-established service at the University Hospital of North Midlands. There are over 45 dietitians working for the hospitals which include Royal Stoke University Hospital and County Hospital. We also have a service level agreement with the local Mental Health Trust and we support a variety of Outpatient Clinics, domiciliary visits, dialysis centres and outreach work for some dietetic specialities.

The dietetics team here is forward thinking, vibrant and hard working with an ethos of doing our best for people using our services. Speciality teams include paediatrics, acute medicine and surgery, community for General practice clinics, Mental Health, Learning disabilities, nutrition support, trauma, bariatrics and renal dietetics. Each of these teams also has specialities within them developing a high level of expertise.

The department trains student dietitians, taking students form Coventry University for A, B and C placements and enjoys a high rate of student satisfaction.

The dietetic teams working here are keen to be involved in any aspect of nutrition and embed the nutrition infra-structure of the Trust including nutrition support initiatives, Hospital food initiatives and Staff well-being. There is a continual drive with a range of colleagues from other professions to improve nutrition standards in our hospitals; our aim is to be the best and staff are encouraged to develop their potential with support of colleagues.

The Trust has busy research and audit departments supporting AHP’s to gain a better understanding of the processes involved and helping these to be translated into practice an there are opportunities to present nationally/ internationally as well as inputting in to NICE Guidance and British Dietetic publications.

Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy

UHNM Therapies comprising both Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy are the second and third largest AHP professional groups respectively with over 200 staff currently working across the Royal Stoke and County sites. We cover the full range of specialities making us one of the most attractive employers of therapy staff, in particular newly qualified. We offer experience in the general areas of respiratory, musculoskeletal and neurology and offer a wide range of speciality rotations. We are able to offer opportunities for staff to grow and develop their careers in a stimulating and forward thinking service. This gives them the foundations to enable them to take on more senior roles in and outside of the service and organisation.

Our Therapists have a major contribution to make in delivering quality health care. Their role is invaluable in achieving rapid and best outcomes for patients and therapists are recognised within the Trust as invaluable and key members of the multidisciplinary team.

We are the local clinical education provider for both Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy undergraduates and have a productive partnership with Keele, Coventry and Derby Universities. We have gained national and international recognition for service improvement and for being front runners in leading transformational change and our staff have presented at conferences and good practice workshops.

Our therapists at UHNM are innovative, committed and hardworking.
At the Royal Stoke site eight major development projects are underway costing £35 million. A new 28 bedded ward with 12 single bed side rooms has already been created, a new-build extension has given the Critical Care Unit 12 more beds, the Springfield building has undergone a major refurbishment and offices have been moved to give the Pathology labs more space following centralisation.

We are planning to deliver more inpatient beds for oncology, two new wards and two modular theatres, another 28 bedded ward with 12 single side rooms and a new two storey extension for two MRI scanners.

County Hospital in Stafford is benefitting from an investment of £25 million on 16 projects with a scheduled completion date of March 2017.

Already delivered at County Hospital are new ultrasound facilities and midwife-led birthing rooms in the Midwifery Unit, a children’s assessment and emergency centre, an MRI scanner and an ultraclean theatre with lay up room. The remaining projects are due on stream during the next 18 months and include essential fire safety work, phase one of a 12 station renal dialysis unit and phased improvements to the emergency department and outpatients.

2016 will see work start on a catering initiative, phase two of the 12 station renal dialysis unit, the creation of a dedicated chemotherapy unit, theatre refurbishment and endoscopy improvements.

Work starts in 2016 on a revamp of five wards which will continue into 2017 when the second phase of essential fire safety work takes place.
Artist’s impressions of some of the new facilities to be provided at the Trust.

Additional bed space has been provided at UHN M.
Potteries area has so many great attractions

NORTH Staffordshire is home to world-famous producers of the most beautiful china, and is widely-known as one of the friendliest cities in the country.

It boasts award-winning parks, museums, five theatres, mainstream and special interest shopping centres and a vibrant night life.

Staffordshire Moorlands market towns and beautiful villages are a short drive away, as is the Peak District National Park – a mecca for walkers. For thrillseekers, the popular Alton Towers theme park is a 30 minute drive away.

Housing across the area is plentiful and affordable while road and rail links including the M6 and the West Coast Main Line mean Manchester and Birmingham are less than an hour away.

The main line service to London links the area with the capital in 90 minutes.

With three international airports within a 50 mile radius, travelling abroad could not be easier.

Why choose UHN?

As a forward thinking and progressive employer we aim to make sure you get the rewards your hard work deserves to make your working life easier and your personal life more rewarding.

We don't just give you a salary and paid holidays – we also have an extensive support network and offer training to help you maintain your professional registration while improving your skills as you look to advance.

When you join us, your package will include:

- **Pension**: the NHS is one of very few employers still offering a retirement package based on either your final salary or a percentage of your pay over your whole career.
- **Pay**: incremental scales subject to annual review and based on your responsibilities and skills.
- **Holidays**: at least 27 days' holiday a year, rising when employment milestones are reached. Holiday minimums exclude Bank Holidays which are given over and above.
- **Childcare Support**: flexible working patterns.
- **Flexibility**: scope for part-time working, job sharing, term-time working as well as evening, weekend work and career breaks.
- **Carer Support**: flexible working and special leave policies.
- **Training**: full or part-time learning opportunities to help you realise your potential.
- **Equality and Diversity**: we make positive efforts to recruit from the many diverse sections of society to ensure all staff are treated fairly.
- **NHS Discounts**: from local and national companies.

Supporting and promoting good health and wellbeing

To deliver high quality patient care, the NHS needs staff that are healthy, well and at work. Looking after the health and wellbeing of our staff directly contributes to the delivery of quality patient care.

We have a range of wellbeing initiatives to support our staff including a health and wellbeing programme, wellbeing courses, staff support services and health promotion activities.

- The Royal Stoke choir and orchestra welcome people of all abilities to join up and sing or play along. The orchestra plays a minimum of five concerts per year including Christmas Carol events and summer cabarets. They rehearse every Thursday from 7pm until 9pm at the Newcastle Baptist Church. Choir rehearsals take place every Tuesday from 8pm until 9pm at the Healthcare Careers and Skills Academy.
The Children’s, Women’s & Diagnostics Division consists of eight directorates: Imaging, Pathology, Pharmacy, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Child Health, Outpatients, Bereavement Services and Clinical Technology. With more than 2,300 staff and a budget of more than £130million the Division has state-of-the-art equipment and is highly-accredited with a record of achievement at various national awards. Our clinical services are supported by a strong management team who co-ordinate, support and develop our clinical service development. CWD is supported by specialists in finance, human resources, strategy, planning and clinical excellence.

A range of careers are available within the Division as we seek enthusiastic, caring individuals who want to be part of a great team.

Divisional Chair Melissa Hubbard said: “We are a diverse Division and close team pursuing the Trust’s vision to become a world class provider of health services. Our ethos is to recruit excellent team members who put the patient first in everything that they do.”

### Child Health Directorate

The Children’s Centre – Cheethams – has been providing healthcare for North Staffordshire’s children for generations and is now based inside the new Royal Stoke University Hospital main building. The Neonatal Unit, also part of the Directorate, is based in the Maternity centre.

Children’s care is also provided at the County Hospital, Stafford, which houses a Children’s Outpatient Department and Assessment Unit within the Children’s Emergency Centre. At Stoke there is an Intensive Care Unit, wards and a dedicated Children’s Outpatient area and Community Paediatrics.

A team of over 450 staff, including doctors, nurses, clinical support and administration staff, work together to ensure that the young patients and their families have everything they need to feel as welcome and comfortable as possible.

With its Children’s Assessment Unit and A&E, as well as wards and an outpatients area, the Centre has a reputation for providing first-class health services for a common childhood injuries and conditions. Care is delivered in the following areas:

- **Children’s Intensive Care Unit**
- **Neonatal Unit**
- **Children’s Assessment Unit**

Specialist treatment is provided in a number of areas including allergy, gastro, cystic fibrosis, oncology, diabetes, renal and respiratory medicine. We have ambitions to develop a Children’s Hospital within a Hospital to align the Royal Stoke with others such as Great Ormond Street and Alder Hey in Liverpool. We also aspire to develop a Ronald McDonald House in the foreseeable future.

As well as a dedicated team of paediatric doctors and nurses, support is provided by dieticians, physiotherapists, play specialists and a schoolteacher. A suite of rooms sleeping two each with en-suite facilities is centrally located to allow parents to stay close to their children while they are being cared for in the Children’s Intensive Care and Neonatal Units.
Imaging Directorate

The Imaging Directorate at UHNM is the fourth largest service in the country, employing more than 500 staff including 48 consultants, 20 specialist registrars, 20 members of nursing staff and 170 radiographers.

Using state-of-the-art imaging equipment it provides a comprehensive diagnostic and interventional radiological service to all specialities within the Trust and tertiary catchment, completing more than 500,000 examinations in 2014 and achieving Imaging Services Accreditation Scheme standards.

The imaging facilities are almost all based within the main hospital complex on the Royal Stoke University Hospital site and at the County Hospital in Stafford, with smaller departments situated within the Potteries conurbation.

The department at the Royal Stoke includes inpatient and outpatient accommodation for imaging, while five community hospitals contribute to plain film and ultrasound services linked by electronic image transfer (PACS) to the main departments.

The services include:

- Plain radiography
- Ultrasound
- Interventional procedures including Biliary
- Neurovascular Intervention
- Mammography – screening and symptomatic
- Angiography
- Computerised Tomography
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging
- PET/CT
- Nuclear Medicine

The Directorate undertakes several examinations as a specialist centre within the region, including Cardiac MRI, CTC and Endoanal Ultrasound, as well as being the hub for complex Vascular Interventional procedures.

Outpatient Directorate

The Outpatient Directorate is responsible for the management, administration and provision of nursing care in all medical and surgical clinics at the Royal Stoke and County Hospitals.

With 109 consulting, 47 specialist, nine treatment and seven counselling rooms all situated on the ground and first floors of the main building, the Royal Stoke sees more than 600,000 patients each year.

In addition to these rooms, there are two other areas of Neurophysiology and the Emergency Eye Clinic.

County Hospital sees 150,000 patients per year and currently has 34 outpatient clinic rooms, which will soon be undergoing a full refurbishment.

The Directorate employs a total of 130 administrative staff and 58 nurses and nursing assistants who deliver high quality care to patients.

A range of training and development opportunities are available for staff, including NVQ and aspiring programmes, degree pathways and customer care training.
Obstetrics and Gynaecology Directorate

With more than 450 staff the Obstetrics & Gynaecology Directorate provides elective and emergency inpatient, outpatient, and ambulatory care for women of North Staffordshire and surrounding areas across both hospital sites.

22 Consultants are supported by Junior Doctors in training, Advanced Nurse Practitioners and Clinical Nurse Specialists Administrative and Clerical staff.

Our Gynaecology department provides a range of sub-specialties including Gynaecological Oncology, Urodynamics and we are an accredited Severe Endometriosis Centre.

All major and complex surgery takes place at Royal Stoke where women are cared for on a refurbished surgical ward.

Outpatients diagnostic and day case surgery are offered on both hospital sites providing women with the option of having their care provided closer to home.

We have opened community gynaecology ‘one stop’ clinics which has reduced the need for women to attend main hospital sites.

Maternity service moved into the Maternity Centre at Royal Stoke in April 2009 and from here we provide a full range of obstetric and midwife care.

At the County Hospital we offer outpatient and day case surgery, and provide the option to deliver in a free standing midwife birth centre.

Our Maternity services in North Staffordshire & surrounding areas deliver 7,000 deliveries babies per annum. We are one of the largest maternity units in the UK which means staff can specialise in a range of tertiary services not available at smaller units.

The service achieved CNST level 3 in 2013 and achieved 49 of the 50 standards making it one of the highest assessed maternity services in the country.

Clinical Technology Directorate

The Directorate of Clinical Technology provides a comprehensive medical equipment management and maintenance service to the University Hospitals of North Midlands and external healthcare bodies. Based at both the Royal Stoke University Hospital and County Hospital sites, multidisciplinary teams provide services across the organisation and to other local healthcare providers.

With 44 highly skilled engineers and technologists, the Directorate operates from workshops and offices at both sites, some of which are located alongside key clinical services such as theatres, renal and intensive care. Staff are employed in both support and technical roles, including administration, data quality, team managers and various grades of healthcare scientists.

More than 60,000 jobs are undertaken by the Directorate each year, providing a comprehensive equipment management service, ensuring that medical equipment owned by the Trust is safe and available for use.

The Directorate consists of the following teams operating across both UHNM sites and in the local and wider healthcare economy:

- **Medical**: provides support to general medical equipment across all areas and specialities.
- **Critical Care**: specialist technicians are embedded in Intensive Care Unit areas.
- **Renal**: a dedicated team supporting the renal unit and home-patients.
- **Imaging**: supporting Trust-wide imaging services.
- **Medical Gas and Mechanical Workshops**: support oxygen therapy equipment and provide mechanical engineering service to the department and the Trust.

There are opportunities to develop by undertaking a part-time foundation degree alongside a work-based competency programme in order to achieve practitioner level Healthcare Scientist status.
**Pathology Directorate**

With a dedicated workforce of around 440 staff including 20 Consultant Pathologists, Chemical Pathologists and Microbiologists, the Directorate of Pathology provides a comprehensive diagnostic and treatment monitoring service throughout the West Midlands.

Cutting-edge technology is used to support and deliver services to its users and results are reported via secure electronic links. The Directorate analyses more than three million samples per year, which equates to 20 million tests, making it one of the largest Pathology providers in the country.

The new facilities based at the Royal Stoke University Hospital include an excellent purpose built laboratory which sits alongside other clinical services, multidisciplinary meeting rooms and a new mortuary.

The Directorate comprises of the following departments:

- Cytology
- Haematology and Blood Transfusion
- Clinical Biochemistry
- Histopathology
- Microbiology (Bacteriology and Virology)
- Immunology
- Mortuary

Haematology, Immunology and Clinical Biochemistry operate as a combined Blood Sciences laboratory, with around 110 technical, clerical and medical staff working together to process more than 2.5 million samples per year. Incidentally the Blood Sciences laboratory was only the second in the UK to install a Siemens Aptio automation track.

All departments hold Clinical Pathology Accreditation (CPA) and are working towards United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS) accreditation. Pathology undertakes active research under the leadership and direction of Professor Tony Fryer.

The Directorate undertakes and operates patient facing services, examples of which include Phlebotomy, and Anti-coagulant Management.

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**Pharmacy Directorate**

The role of the Pharmacy Directorate is to support the safe and effective use of medicines for all our patients.

The Directorate, which has facilities at both the Royal Stoke and County sites, employs around 250 staff in roles including pharmacists, technicians, pharmacy support workers, porters and clerical and administrative staff,

The Directorate is comprised of the following departments:

- Clinical Services
- Clinical Information and Procurement Services
- Patient Services and Distribution
- Technical Services and Clinical Trials
- Medicines Information, Clinical Governance and Medicines Safety

The Directorate also hosts a team responsible for the roll out of the Electronic Prescribing and Administration (ePMA) system in the Trust.

Each year, over 700,000 items are dispensed to patients and the Pharmacy Procurement team purchase drugs to the value of more than £30 million.

The dispensary at the Royal Stoke site has a state-of-the-art robotic dispensing system and a licensed aseptic manufacturing unit that produces highly specialised medicines, including cytotoxic (chemotherapy) infusions and parenteral nutrition feeds.

For the last two years, teams from the directorate have been finalists in the Health Service Journal awards in the Workforce Efficiency and Outsourcing categories.

Each year, the Directorate take on pre-registration pharmacists and technicians, and a range of training and development opportunities are available – including a Step Training programme for junior pharmacists as well as e-Learning training packages.

To find out more watch our video at https://vimeo.com/102345970

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**Bereavement Services**

There is a dedicated team of Bereavement Officers on both Royal Stoke and County Hospital sites. Sadly some patients are at the end of their lives, and all our staff do their very best to make them as comfortable as possible, and provide emotional support at a difficult time. But our work doesn’t end there.

When a patient dies, our Bereavement Services Team steps in to support and offer guidance to families and friends with the inevitable practical issues surrounding a death.
If you are interested in joining the team at the University Hospitals of North Midlands see our NHS Jobs pages for our latest job opportunities.
JOB DESCRIPTION

Job title: Consultant Radiologist with a subspecialty in Nuclear Medicine
Grade: Consultant
Accountable to: Clinical Director of Imaging
Responsible to: Nuclear Medicine Clinical Lead, Imaging Directorate Manager/Imaging Professional Head
Programmed activities: See work programme below
Directorate: Imaging
Work base: University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust
Key Relationships: Clinical Director/Imaging Directorate Manager/Imaging Professional Head, Modality Leads, Advanced Practitioners, Radiologists, Nuclear Medicine technicians, Radiographers, Nursing, clerical staff and other staff working in the Imaging Directorate, Referring Clinicians and Nursing staff throughout UHNM, Divisional Management Team

Other Relationships: Medical Physics, Radiopharmacy, Finance, Human Resources, Keele University Staff, Equipment Manufacturers, Independent sector service providers, Regulatory and Inspection bodies, ISAS - UKAS

Job Purpose
To undertake approval, supervision and reporting of nuclear medicine examinations and provide clinical leadership in developing Nuclear Medicine services. Deliver high quality responsive support as per agreed job plan.
Consideration will also be given to applicants with appropriate nuclear medicine expertise who also wish to include other elements of radiological practice.
The successful applicant would also be expected to take a significant role in training of postgraduate and undergraduate medical and non-medical staff. They would also be expected to lead in research activities of the Department.
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The Post

Consultant Radiologist with a subspecialty in Nuclear Medicine at the University Hospital of North Midlands NHS Trust

We aim to provide first class patient care, and to that end a significant degree of subspecialisation has occurred within the imaging department. We have also tried to achieve an equitable division of workload between all the consultants.

Nuclear Medicine Imaging

The appointee will provide appropriate management support and clinical direction for the Imaging Service and will report nuclear radiology images in particular you will provide a responsive inpatient and emergency service.

The post holder will be expected to participate in regular clinical meetings.

• An exciting opportunity has arisen for Consultant Radiologist in Nuclear Medicine to join the existing team of 1 Consultant and 1 Specialty Dr in the Nuclear Medicine Department at the University Hospital of North Midlands.

• We are a large Nuclear Medicine Department embedded within an Imaging Department in a University Teaching Hospital setting.

• Our Department comprises 3 gamma cameras and one PET/CT scanner and employs 23 members of staff including physicists, technicians, nurses, and A&C staff.

• Currently we have 2 SPECT CT camera’s. In addition, we have a state of the art Siemens 128 slice PET/CT scanner which is installed within its own purpose built department.

• The Nuclear Medicine Department undertakes a total of approximately 8,000 scans per year, encompassing the full panoply of nuclear medicine diagnostic imaging investigations. Work comprises clinically indicated studies as well as participation in numerous clinical trials

• PET/CT imaging is currently confined to body imaging, primarily for oncological indications, but we intend to develop a neurological PET/CT service within the forthcoming year. There is an opportunity for the successful applicant to be at the vanguard of this development. Currently we undertake approximately 2000 PET/CT scans per year under the national PET/CT contract and this figure is increasing rapidly

• The Nuclear Medicine Department is within the main nearby Imaging Department at the Royal Stoke Hospital which is a state of the art modern purpose built facility which itself contains 3 CT scanners, 3 MR scanners in addition to ultrasound and plain film facilities. Three Interventional Theatres are also available and one of the CT scanners is closely integrated with our Major Trauma Centre. CT and MR facilities also available on the County Hospital site. In total Imaging at UHNM have 6 CT scanners and 7 MRI scanners over the two sites.

• The successful candidate will work alongside 40WTE radiologists in an environment which will provide excellent opportunities for development of a multi-modality approach to imaging including engagement at MDT meetings.

• University Hospitals of North Midlands is a large hospital Trust comprising 2 sites, Royal Stoke University Hospital and County Hospital, Stafford. It encompasses a total of nearly 1300 beds
providing in-patient and out-patient core services to a population of 750,000 with tertiary services supplied to a population approaching 2 million. The hospital is the main teaching hospital of Keele University Medical School, which has been nationally acclaimed for the quality of its medical education.

- The Radiology Department has its own stand-alone training scheme within the West Midlands School of Radiology and has 25 trainees. Therefore, the post provides excellent opportunities for teaching at undergraduate and postgraduate level.

- The successful candidate would have an excellent opportunity to further develop nuclear medicine imaging including SPECT/CT and PET/CT within the department. We will take a flexible approach in order to enable continued participation and development of non-nuclear medicine radiology interests.

- There is an opportunity for the post-holder to become fully accredited for PET/CT reporting if not currently on the register.

- The Imaging Department supports seven-day working with cross-sectional, neuroradiology and interventional on-call rotas.

- There is also a complimentary Saturday working system which is currently on a one in six basis. The applicant may be asked to join this Rota depending on their specific skill set.

- The proposed job plan would broadly comprise:
  - Sessions of Nuclear Medicine including SPECT/CT dependant on applicants sub speciality and interest to be agreed
  - Sessions of Cardiac Nuclear Medicine
  - 1 MDT
  - 2 Sessions SPA, 1 CME
  - Potential to join the body radiology on call, if appropriate in-hours body imaging component to applicants job plan
  - Job plan of 10 PA in total

**General Provisions**

The appointee will be expected to work with local managers and professional colleagues in the efficient running of the Imaging Service and will share with consultant colleagues in the medical contribution of management. Subject to the provisions of the Terms and Conditions of Service, the appointee will be expected to observe the Unit’s agreed policies and procedures, drawn up in consultation with the profession on clinical matters, and to follow the standing orders and financial instructions of the Trust.

In particular, where the appointee is involved in the management of employees of the Trust, he/she will be expected to follow the local and national employment and personnel policies and procedures. The appointee will be expected to make sure there are adequate arrangements for hospital staff involved in the care of his/her patients to be able to contact him or her when necessary.

All medical and dental staff employed by the Trust is expected to comply with regional and appropriate Trust Health and Safety policies. The appointee will have responsibility for the training and supervision of junior medical staff who work with him/her and will be expected to devote time to this activity on a regular
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basis.
If appropriate, the appointee will be named in the contracts of doctors in training grades as the person responsible for overseeing their training and as the initial source of advice to such doctors on their careers.

Resources
Clinical and non-clinical staff as described earlier.

The Directorate Management Team: The Directorate Management team comprises of a Clinical Director, Directorate Manager and Imaging Professional Head; Associate Directorate Manager as well as Modality Lead Superintendents.

The Imaging Directorate Manager takes the lead in operational activities and is responsible to the Clinical Director. The Imaging Professional Head is responsible for the governance, quality, health and safety within the Imaging Directorate and is also responsible to the Clinical Director.

The current Clinical Director for Imaging, Dr Hefin Jones, is responsible for the clinical management of Imaging.

Participation in professional audit and continuing professional development
It is a requirement of the post that post-holders comply with Trust policies and procedures, have (and maintain) GMC registration / licensing and participate in a formal CPD programme (The Trust supports the requirements for Continuing Medical Education and is committed to providing time and financial support for these activities).

Initiate and participate in research and audit programmes in accordance with Trust policies and procedures.

Manage own programme of continuing professional development to meet own needs within the requirements of the Royal College.

Discrepancy meetings are held on a two-monthly basis for discussion of diagnostic discrepancies. The post holder is required to attend these meetings.

Appraisal and Revalidation
The post-holders must also participate in job planning, regular medical audit and in annual appraisal with one of the trained appraisers within the Trust. Job planning will take place on an annual basis and it is the responsibility of the clinical director and directorate manager to ensure that job planning takes place.

IQA and EQA
To participate in internal and external quality assurance programmes as appropriate.

Clinical governance
To have responsibility for a commitment to maintaining a high quality service to patients by continual development of practice in the light of research evidence and by audit based against clinical relevant standards. In addition individual staff have a major role in suggesting and implementing improvement to services and in exercising professional responsibility for both themselves and their peers within an open 'no blame' culture.
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Managerial Duties
Opportunities for a higher managerial role within Imaging may be available to an interested candidate. A clinical lead for Nuclear Medicine is in place, however, lead positions are usually 3 year tenures and are reviewed as part of the consultant appraisal process.

Work with colleagues to manage the daily business of the Directorate and to develop the service in accordance with the Trust’s strategic direction. Taking part in meetings and other activities as agreed with the Clinical Directorate. Managerial duties will include managing resources, preparation of business plans, service re-design as required.

Financial Management
You will operate value for money measures within the constraints of the departmental budget ensuring quality and patient care is not compromised. Follow due process when implementing new services or altered pathways to ensure any financial implications are considered. The Imaging Directorate budget is over £30.0 million.

Teaching Duties
To be actively involved, along with consultant colleagues, in the training of junior medical staff and Radiographic staff.

Work Programme
As required under Paragraphs 30a of the Terms and Conditions of Service, the list of duties must be supported by a work programme, including a weekly timetable of fixed commitments.

Work with colleagues to provide cover in the absence of others in accordance with Directorate arrangements.

We are working towards 7 day services and the post holder will be expected to actively engage in developing this.

Review of the Job Plan
This Job Plan is subject to review once a year by you and the Clinical Director, and ultimately, the Medical Director. For this purpose, both you and the Clinical Director should have a copy of the current job plan including an up to-date work programme, and relevant departmental statistical information (preferably over a 12 month period), together with note(s) - provided by either side - of any new or proposed service or other developments.

Local procedures must be followed if it is not possible to agree a job plan, either immediately or at an annual review. These procedures may culminate in an appeal to the Trust Board.

Work with colleagues to provide cover in the absence of others in accordance with Directorate arrangements.

Education
UHNM is proud to be an institution that delivers high quality education and supervision of medical undergraduate students and postgraduate trainees. It is expected that consultants and other
permanent members of staff will contribute to education in the normal course of their duties. If this contribution exceeds the norm then it is anticipated this will be acknowledged by appropriate changes in job planning and honorary contract status with Keele.

Research
It is anticipated that consultants will engage in and support research and enrolment of patients into clinical trials with professional development in these areas being reflected in job plans as appropriate.

Personal/Professional Development
To take every reasonable opportunity to maintain and improve your professional knowledge and competence. To participate in personal objective setting and review, including the creation of a personal development plan and the Trust's appraisal process. Participation in a CPD accrual scheme is expected.

Health and Safety
To take reasonable care for your own health and safety and that of any other person who may be affected by your acts or omissions at work. To co-operate with the Trust in ensuring that statutory regulations, codes of practice, local policies and departmental health and safety rules are adhered to.

Confidentiality
To ensure that confidentiality is maintained at all times and that data belonging to the Trust is protected.

Equality and Diversity
To promote equality and diversity in your working life ensuring that all the staff you work with feel valued and treated in a fair and equitable manner.

Statutory and Mandatory training
To ensure that you keep fully up to date with the UHNM statutory and mandatory training schedule.

Infection Control
Infection Control is everyone’s responsibility. All staff, both clinical and non-clinical, are required to adhere to the Trusts’ Infection Prevention and Control Policies and make every effort to maintain high standards of infection control at all times thereby reducing the burden of healthcare associated infections including MRSA. All staff employed by the UHNM Trust have the following key responsibilities:

- Staff must wash their hands or use alcohol gel on entry and exit from all clinical areas and between each patient contact.
- Staff members have a duty to attend mandatory infection control training provided for them by the Trust.
- Staff members who develop recurrent skin and soft tissue infections and other infections that may be transmittable to patients have a duty to contact Occupational Health.
Safeguarding Children and Young People

All staff are responsible for ensuring that they are familiar with and adhere to the Trusts Safeguarding Children procedures and guidelines. All health professionals who come into contact with children, parents and carers in the course of their work have a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people up to the age of 18 years of age as directed by the Children’s Act 1989/2004. Health professionals also have a responsibility even when the health professional does not work directly with a child but may be seeing their parent, carer or other significant adult. All staff are required to attend safeguarding awareness training and undertake any additional training in relation to safeguarding relevant to their role.
## PERSONAL SPECIFICATION

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<td>Clinical Experience:</td>
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<td>Teaching and Training Experience:</td>
<td>• Ability to teach clinical skills to medical staff and students, and other disciplines.</td>
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<td>Research, Innovation and Service Improvement Experience:</td>
<td>• Ability to apply research outcomes to clinical problems. &lt;br&gt;• An awareness of current speciality specific developments, initiatives and issues. &lt;br&gt;• Evidence of having undertaken original research.</td>
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| Personal Attributes:   | • Energy and enthusiasm and the ability to work under pressure.  
                        | • An enquiring and critical approach to work.  
                        | • Caring attitude to patients.  
                        | • Ability to communicate effectively with colleagues, patients, relatives, GPs, nurses and other staff and agencies.  
                        | • Commitment to Continuing Medical Education and Professional Development.  
                        | • Ability to liaise tactfully with clinical referrers. | |
| Other Requirements:    | • Appropriate Immigration Status  
                        | (where appropriate).  
                        | • An understanding of the current NHS environment, particularly in relation to reforms, initiatives and issues. | |
| Personal Circumstances | • Ability and means to travel Residence within 10 miles or 30 minutes of base *(upon appointment to post)*.  
                        | • To be accessible by public telephone for on call duties. | |
## WORK PROGRAMME – JOB PLAN

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Total Direct Clinical Care P.A.s = 8  
Total Supporting Prof Activity P.A.s = 2  
Total P.A.s = 10  
Additional on call supplement (to be determined with candidate dependant on Sub Specialty interests)  
RSH—Royal Stoke Hospital  
DCC (Direct Clinical care)  
SPA (Supporting Professional Activities)  
PA (Programmed Activities)
ABOUT THE ROLE ON OFFER

MAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

The successful appointee will be employed by the University Hospital of North Midlands NHS Trust, subject to national terms and conditions as per the Consultant Contract 2003 as amended from time to time. Any changes to national terms and conditions determined at a local level are subject to the Trust’s collective bargaining arrangements which include the Trust’s Local Negotiating Committee for medical staffing issues.

**Tenure**

The appointment is a substantive, whole time/part time position which, unless terminated, will be held until retirement. The notice period is three months on either side. The appointment is subject to the provisions of Schedule 14 of the Terms & Conditions.

**Salary**

The salary scale is as per the Terms & Conditions of Service as set out in the Consultant Contract 2003. The current scale is £76,001 rising to £102,465 per annum, for 10 programmed activities per week. Any agreed extra programmed activities, and on-call requirement will be paid in addition to the basic salary.

Pay progression will be on the anniversary of appointment and is subject to satisfactory participation in annual appraisal, the completion of a job plan review and agreed personal objectives as set out in Schedule 15 of the Terms and Conditions.
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Starting salary will be determined according to the terms and conditions as per the Consultant Contract 2003. Where a candidate has service in or outside the NHS which they feel should be taken into account in determining the starting salary, this will be considered following the offer of appointment by the AAC.

Annual Leave

Your annual leave entitlement is as per Schedule 18 of the Terms and Conditions. At least six weeks' notice is required before taking annual leave. Numbers of Years of Completed Service as a Consultant:

Superannuation

This post is superannuable under the Health Service Superannuation Scheme.

Registration

You will be required to have full and specialist registration with a licence to practise with the GMC and to provide a valid certificate annually.

Conditions of Employment

The following conditions must be met before the Trust will confirm an offer of employment:

Verification of ID and Right to Work

All employees must provide the Trust with the following documentation to prove their ID and eligibility to work in the UK: UK Passport
- UK Birth Certificate (if passport is unavailable)
- National Insurance evidence (P60 / recent payslip / P45)
- EEA (European Economic Area) Passport
- Residence permit issued by the Home Office or UKBA
- Driving Licence (ID card + counterpart)
- 2 addressed bills or statements (Bank / utility bill / phone bill)

Note: if you are a British citizen but do not hold a UK passport then we require a UK Birth Certificate combined with National Insurance evidence

Disclosure and Barring Check: Protection of Children & Vulnerable Adults

In accordance with Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006, the Trust is required to seek disclosure of criminal records when considering employing an individual who will be working with children or have regular contact with vulnerable adults. Disclosure will include checks on the information held in the Police National Computer, local Police records and, where appropriate, lists held by the Department of Health and the Department of Education and Employment. Disclosure need not necessarily be a bar to obtaining the position you have applied for.

The information you provide and the Disclosure documents returned by the Disclosure and Barring service (DBS) will be available only to those who need them as part of the recruitment process. Disclosure documents will not be retained for longer than six months after the recruitment decision has been made.

References

It is a condition of employment that references are provided which are acceptable to the Trust.

Health Screening

It is a condition of employment that all successful candidates undertake pre-employment screening and are cleared before formal confirmation of the appointment is sent to candidates.
Professional Registration
The successful candidate is required to be registered with the GMC with a licence to practise. Membership of the approved Medical Defence/Protection Society is not a mandatory requirement for the post but is strongly advisable.

Applications process
Formal applications should be made through our website www.jobs.nhs.uk

If there are any problems / queries please contact the recruitment department: 01782 671697 or email consultantrecruitment@uhns.nhs.uk

Further information and visiting the Trust
The division welcomes applicants who wish to seek further information or visit. Please contact the following to arrange a visit or for an informal discussion:

Dr Hefin Jones, Clinical Director of Imaging, on 01782 675861, e-mail hefin.jones@uhnm.nhs.uk

Or

Dr John Oxtoby, Consultant Radiologist, on 01782 675907, e-mail John.oxtoby@uhnm.nhs.uk