

NHS Lothian
THE ORCHARD CLINIC
FORENSIC CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY
SERIOUS OFFENDER LIAISON SERVICE
Consultant Applied Psychologist Part-time (22.5 hours)
BAND 8C
Salary : PRO RATA
FIXED TERM FOR 24 MONTHS

We are seeking a highly motivated person to work in this specialist forensic service which serves the Edinburgh and Lothian MAPPa area. The position will involve working as part of a team of clinical psychologists and forensic psychiatrists. The aim of the service is to work with criminal justice agencies to help manage high risk personality disorders offenders in the community. This is done through a consultation/liaison model as this allows for involvement in a wider range of cases. A small number of cases are taken on for comprehensive assessment involving personality and risk assessments. The successful applicant will therefore be involved in a significant amount of consultation, training and supervision but will also require expertise in the assessment of offenders who pose a serious risk of harm. In this positive multidisciplinary and multi-agency environment, the successful applicant will be able to work collaboratively with other professionals and other agencies. The service has close links with all the agencies involved in MAPPa locally and the service is integral to NHS Lothian fulfilling its responsibilities under MAPPa. This post therefore provides a rare chance for an experienced clinical psychologist to develop their career in a highly rewarding area. The post is part of the wider forensic clinical psychology service within the Orchard Clinic medium secure unit. There will be close links with the East of Scotland Clinical Psychology training course and Edinburgh University, together with opportunities for service orientated research. Continuing professional development will be encouraged.

For further information or to arrange an informal visit please contact Dr Liz Flynn, Lead Psychologist for SOLS on 0131 537 5866