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**Clinical Fellow in Urology with Subspecialist Interest in**

**Endourology- stone disease**

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**You will receive a response acknowledging receipt of your application.**

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| **This post requires the post holder to have a PVG Scheme membership/record. If the successful applicant is not a current PVG member for the required regulatory group i.e. child and/or adult, then an application will need to be made to Disclosure Scotland and deemed satisfactory before the successful post holder can commence work.**  |

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| **Section 1: Person Specification** |

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| **Entry Criteria - Application to enter Clinical Fellowship Post: Urology** |
|  | **Essential Criteria** | **When Evaluated1** |
| **Qualifications** | • MBBS or equivalent medical qualification• Successful completion of MRCS at time of interview | Application form |
| **Eligibility** | • Eligible for full registration with the GMC at time of appointment2 and hold a current license to practice.3• Evidence of achievement of **Foundation competences** from a UKFPO affiliated Foundation Programme or equivalent by time of appointment2 in line with GMC standards/ Good Medical Practice including:o Make the care or your patient your first concerno Protect and promote the health of patients and of the publico Provide a good standard of practice and careo Treat patients as individuals and respect their dignityo Work in partnership with patientso Be honest and open and act with integrity• Evidence of completion of Urology training to a level of competency in core Urology (FRCS (Urol), FEBU, CCT or equivalent at time of appointment.• Eligibility to work in the UK• Not previously relinquished, released or removed from a training programme in this specialty except under exceptional circumstances4 | Application formApplication form Interview Application form/ Interview Application form |
| **Fitness To Practise** | Is up to date and fit to practice safely | Application formReferences |
| **Language Skills** | All applicants to have demonstrable skills in written and spoken English adequate to enable effective communication about medical topics with patients and colleagues demonstrated by one of the following:o that applicants have undertaken undergraduate medical training in English;oro have achieved the following scores in the academic lnternational English Language Testing System (IELTS) in a single sitting within 24 months at time of application – Overall 7, Speaking 7, Listening 7, Reading 7, Writing 7.If applicants believe they have adequate communication skills but do not fit into one of these examples they must provide supporting evidence | Application formInterview  |
| **Health** | Meets professional health requirements (in line with GMC standards/ GoodMedical Practice) | Application formPre-employment health screening |
| **Career****Progression6** | • Ability to provide a complete employment history• Evidence that career progression is consistent with personal circumstances• Evidence that present achievement and performance is commensurate with totality of period of training• At least **60 months experience7** in surgery, of which **at least 36 months** has been in urology by time of appointment. | Application formInterview  |

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| **Selection Criteria** |
|  | **Essential** | **Desirable** | **When Evaluated** |
| **Clinical Skills** | **Technical Knowledge & Clinical****Expertise:**• Capacity to apply sound clinical knowledge & judgement & prioritise clinical need.• Competencies in core Urology, including skills of independent operative practice in lower urinary tract endoscopic surgery and penoscrotal surgery. Capable of independent practice in outclinic including appropriate technical and clinical knowledge base, diagnostic skills and clinical judgement.• Validated logbook documentation of surgical exposure to date.Evidence of satisfactory continued medical practice eg appraisals. | **Personal Attributes:**• Shows aptitude for practical skills, e.g. hand-eye co- ordination, dexterity, visuo- spatial awareness• Attendance at relevant courses, e.g. ATLS, Basic Surgical Skills or equivalent, CCrISP | Application formInterview References |
| **Academic / Research Skills** | **Research Skills:**• Demonstrates understanding of the basic principles of audit, clinical risk management & evidence-based practice• Understanding of basic research principles, methodology & ethics, with a potential to contribute to research**Audit:**• Evidence of active participation in audit**Teaching:**• Evidence of contributing to teaching& learning of others | * Higher degree equivalent to MD, ChM or Ph D
* Evidence of relevant academic & research achievements, e.g. degrees, prizes, awards, distinctions, publications, presentations, other achievements
* Evidence of participation in risk management and/or clinical/laboratory research
* Track record of undergraduate and post graduate teaching
* Experienced with OSCE type examinations and PowerPoint Presentations
 | Application formInterview  |
| **Personal Skills** | **Judgement Under Pressure:**• Capacity to operate effectively under pressure & remain objective in highly emotive/pressurised situations• Awareness of own limitations &when to ask for help**Communication Skills:**• Capacity to communicate effectively& sensitively with others• Able to discuss treatment options with patients in a way they can understand**Problem Solving:**• Capacity to think beyond the obvious, with analytical and flexible mind• Capacity to bring a range of approaches to problem solving**Situation Awareness:**• Capacity to monitor and anticipate situations that may change rapidly**Decision Making:**• Demonstrates effective judgement and decision-making skills**Leadership & Team Involvement:**• Capacity to work effectively in a Multi-Disciplinary Team• Demonstrate leadership when appropriate• Capacity to establish good working relations with others**Organisation & Planning:**• Capacity to manage time and prioritise workload, balance urgent & important demands, follow instructions• Understands importance & impact of information systems | * Ability to function and communicate at an appropriate level within a multidisciplinary team
* Able to motivate departmental colleagues
* Driving Licence
 | Application formInterview / Selection centreReferences |
| **Probity** | **Professional Integrity:**• Takes responsibility for own actions• Demonstrates respect for the rights of all• Demonstrates awareness of ethical principles, safety, confidentiality & consent• Awareness of importance of being the patients’ Advocate, clinical governance & responsibilities of an NHS Employee |  | Application formInterview / Selection centreReferences |
| **Commitment To****Specialty** | **Learning & Development:**• Shows realistic insight Into Urology and the demands of a surgical lifestyle• Demonstrates knowledge of training programme & commitment to own development• Shows critical & enquiring approach to knowledge acquisition, commitment to self-directed learning& reflective/analytical approach to practice | **Extracurricular activities:**• Urology, including elective or other experience | Application formInterview / Selection centreReferences |

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| **Section 2: Introduction to Appointment** |

**Job Title:** Fellow in Urology with Subspecialist Interest in Endourology

**Department:** Surgical Services

**Base:** Western General Hospital

You may also be required to work at any of NHS Lothian’s sites.

**Post Summary:**

The post of Clinical Fellow in Urology is based at the Western General Hospital, which acts as local, regional and in specific instances supraregional referral centre for Urological Diseases. This involves service cover for peripheral units at St John’s Hospital in Livingston and East Lothian Community Hospital in Haddington. The successful applicant will have the opportunity to contribute to the endourology surgical team of 4 Consultants at subspecialist trainee level. This includes involvement in operating theatres, subspecialist outpatient clinics, endourology MDT and lithotripsy. Subspecialty sessions are predominantly located at the Western General Hospital, with an emphasis on training.

Our tertiary referral centre in the East Scotland region of the UK provides a full spectrum of Endourology with the Scottish Lithotripsy Centre on site. We have well equipped theatres with endourological operating lists 4-5 days a week, including imaging facilities and radiology support. Stone surgery includes flexible ureteroscopy and holmium laser treatment and PCNL. The post also provides experience in the management of malignant upper urinary tract disease or obstruction and pelviureteric junction obstruction, including laparoscopic pyeloplasty. The weekly Endourology MDT offers an excellent opportunity to consolidate management skills for renal stone disease and a wide range of upper urinary tract pathology . We aim to provide a high quality mentoring environment.

There will be an expected service commitment to provide or contribute to General Urology sessions (mainly lower urinary tract endoscopic surgery [diagnosis/ treatment], penoscrotal surgery, outpatient clinics and flexible cystoscopy lists) for one to two sessions a week as required. General Urology sessions may involve all sites where Urology services are provided by the network.

The unit provides training as part of the East of Scotland Training Programme in Urology and currently offers training to two surgical core trainees, five Urology speciality trainees, and 3 subspecialist Fellows (including this post). Urology Specialty Trainees and Clinical Fellows share on-call commitments on a 1:8 non-residential on-call rota. The team is joined by 3 Speciality doctors. Training opportunities are focused according to the specific needs of each trainee.

**This post is for the time period 1.8.2024 – 31.7.2025.**

In general fellowship posts are for a 6-12 month period with potential for extension by mutual agreement for up to two years in total.

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| **Section 3: Departmental and Directorate Information** |

Urology services at the Western General Hospital and the network are currently delivered by

a team of eleven consultants, with planned consultant expansion to fourteen consultants, covering well-developed sub-specialist interests in all the major disease areas with variable contributions to General Urology as follows:

Mr A. Alhasso Female Urology, Urodynamics and reconstructive urological surgery

Mr M Cutress Endo-urology & Scottish Lithotriptor Service.

Ms V Granitsiotis Female Urology, Urodynamics and reconstructive urological surgery

Mr S Leung Renal cancer

Mr P. Mariappan Bladder malignancy

Prof .A. McNeill Minimally invasive management of prostate & renal cancer.

Mr D Good Minimally invasive management of prostate cancer

Mr S Phipps Endo-urology & minimal access surgery, Scottish Lithotriptor Service.

Mr CJ Shukla Andrology

Mr B. Thomas Endo-urology & minimal access surgery, Scottish Lithotriptor Service

Mr A Laird Renal cancer

Ms H Smith Minimally invasive management of prostate & General Urology

Mr P Tsavalas General urology

Mr E Mains Renal cancer and General Urology

Mr R Hasan Bladder malignancy

Mr M Trail General and Endourology

It is a well-equipped unit with endoscopic facilities in all theatres, a full range of endoscopic and laparoscopic equipment and a full complement of video-urodynamic equipment. The well-developed subspecialist organisation of the unit has allowed it to develop a tradition of leading developments in Urology in Scotland. The unit is a high volume cancer centre and there are 2 robotic surgical systems within the department. As a result the department performs approximately 200 robotically assisted radical prostatectomy operations per year. Both robotic partial nephrectomy and robotic radical cystectomy are now being performed in the department. Overall around 150 nephrectomies and 50 cystectomies are performed annually in the department. The Scottish Lithotripsy Centre is a well-renowned part of the Department of Urology based at the Western General Hospital, which provides a secondary and tertiary service for the management of patients with urinary tract stones.

Urology services at St John’s Hospital include Day Case surgery, Green Light Laser prostatectomy , bipolar ,Rezum , flexible cystoscopy and clinics. Nurse urology support for SJH is based at WGH, except flexible cystoscopy and prostate biopsy. Consultants visit St John’s Hospital on a rotational weekly basis.

Urology Services at East Lothian Community Hospital are delivered on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday predominantly for diagnostic services, including flexible cystoscopy and transperineal biopsies, and clinics.

NHS Lothian also delivers urology services at Borders General Hospital (BGH), Melrose, include outpatient clinics and operating in fully equipped theatres, allowing endoscopic and day case procedures. This currently includes lower urinary tract Urology, e.g. TURPs. Diagnostic work includes a urodynamic session with a nurse specialist in training, development of intravesical Botox services and flexible cystoscopy. Flexible cystoscopies, prostate assessment and catheter clinics are run by Urology Nurse Specialists alongside the consultant staff. At present services are provided by a team of four consultant urologists working between BGH and the Western General Hospital (WGH) and an Associate Specialist based at BGH.

The medical team at WGH is supported by an excellent team of theatre and ward nursing staff and nurse practitioners who undertake roles such as prostate biopsies, flexible cystoscopy and junior doctor support with venepuncture, intravenous cannulation and antibiotic administration. The Nurse Urology Unit houses facilities for assessment and follow up of patients with bladder outflow obstruction and incontinence. This unit also takes pressure off the ward with regard to performing trial without catheters and teaching intermittent self-catheterisation. It supports the emergency service by providing urgent access for catheter related problems. The Surgical Assessment Unit offers an area for assessment of emergency patients and a treatment room.

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| **Section 4: Main Duties and Responsibilities** |

The appointee will have a responsibility for the care of patients at senior urological trainee level including ward rounds and on call duties. This includes a 1:8 busy, but non-residential, out-of-hours on call contribution with emphasis on providing safe, fast and efficient assessment and management of emergency admissions to the new purpose designed surgical assessment area. Operative duties include independent and supervised operating and assisting within the subspecialty interest in theatre as well as largely independent operating and diagnostic work for General Urology. The Endourology post, in addition to the operative exposure, includes active participation in the weekly Endourology MDT as well as providing medical and administrative cover to the Scottish lithotripter centre.

The post also includes administrative duties associated with the care of patients and an appropriate administrative share in the running of the clinical department.

The successful candidate will be expected to provide prospective cover for his/her colleagues during periods of annual leave or study leave, which may potentially involve day time emergency on call duties.

**Research and Development**

The undertaking of research and audit projects or the further continuance of existing projects in urological surgery will be encouraged but is not mandatory.

**Teaching**

There is a regular weekly teaching session on a Friday afternoon for specialist trainees and a monthly supraregional training day. The appointee will be expected to take part in undergraduate and postgraduate teaching activities associated with the departments links with the University of Edinburgh. This teaching usually occurs during normal daytime activities, when medical students are present in clinical settings with teaching in theatres, clinics and bedside teaching during ward rounds. This also involves contributing to the education of more junior surgical trainees in the department as appropriate. The post does not involve a specific teaching commitment or time allocation for teaching within the time table.

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| **Section 5: Indicative Job Plan**  |

Specialty: Urology

Base: Western General Hospital

Contract: Full Time

Managerially responsible to: Miss Granitsiotis

Indicative Job Plan for week

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|  | ACTIVITY | LOCATION | CONSULTANT |
| MONDAYAMPM | OP-list Endo UrologyAdmin/ preparation of stone meeting  | Theatre J WGHWGH | BG Thomas |
| TUESDAYAMPM | Stone Meeting+ Ward RoundOP-list Endo Urology | WGHTheatre J WGH | ML Cutress |
| WEDNESDAYAMPM | OP Clinic 1:2OP list Endourology 1:2SLC Admin /OP list Endourology 1:2 |  | Mr Trail  |
| THURSDAYAMPM | OP-list Endo UrologyOP–list Endo Urology | Theatre J WGHTheatre J WGH | S PhippsS Phipps |
| FRIDAYAMPM | Research /Audit Postgraduate Session /departmental meetings  |  |  |

Please note: Job Plans provide a general outline of the post, specific allocation of clinical sessions may vary at times from the indicative job plans depending on day time on call provision, cover for absent colleagues and departmental needs, requiring flexible team working. Specific allocations are reviewed and arranged on a weekly basis.

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| **Section 5: Contact Information** |

Informal enquiries and visits are welcome and should initially be made to:

Clinical Director in Urology

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Mr Mark Cutress, Consultant Urologist

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| **Section 6: Working for NHS Lothian** |

**Working in Edinburgh and the Lothians**

**Who are we?**

NHS Lothian is an integrated NHS Board in Scotland providing primary, community, mental health and hospital services. Mr Callum Campbell is the Chief Executive and Miss Tracey Gillies is the Medical Director.

The NHS Board determines strategy, allocates resources and provides governance across the health system. Services are delivered by Lothian University Hospitals Services (LUHS), the Royal Edinburgh Hospital and associated mental health services, 4-community health (and social care) partnerships (CH(C)Ps) in Edinburgh, West Lothian, East Lothian and Midlothian, and a Public Health directorate.

NHS Lothian provides services for the second largest residential population in Scotland – circa 850,000 people. We employ approximately 24,000 staff and are committed to improving all patient care and services and engaging staff in service planning and modernisation.

Further information about NHS Lothian can be found at http://www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/OurOrganisation/Pages/default.aspx.

**Location**

Edinburgh and the Lothians are on the eastern side of Scotland’s central belt in the heart of the country. Four main areas make up Edinburgh and the Lothians – Edinburgh, East, Mid and West Lothian.

Lothian is a place of exceptional beauty and contrast, from Edinburgh’s historic skyline to the scenic countryside and coastline that surround it. Edinburgh is famous for its castle, military tattoo, fringe and international festival.

Edinburgh and the Lothians are home to top-ranking state and private schools and world class universities and colleges. Edinburgh offers a rich diversity of parks and gardens to spend time relaxing with friends and family. Whether you want to buy or rent Lothian also offers a diversity of accommodation ranging from city centre based flats, waterfront living, Victorian or Georgian villas to more rural farm houses or coastal homes.

Local and wider transport networks are excellent. Glasgow is less than 50 minutes away by train. The Scottish Highlands are accessible in a few hours offering opportunities for skiing and walking. National and international transport links make it easy to keep in touch with friends and family. London is a short, one hour, flight away and flight connections with London, Amsterdam and Paris offer a variety of international flight opportunities.

If you are thinking about joining us from overseas further information can be found at www.talentscotland.com. For a comprehensive list of services to help moving to the City of Edinburgh, please visit the City of Edinburgh Council Website at: www.edinburgh.gov.uk.

**What we can offer you**

Working with NHS Lothian offers a variety of opportunities and benefits:

* Access to the NHS pension scheme
* Assistance relocating to Edinburgh
* NHS Lothian is an equal opportunities employer and promotes work-life balance and family-friendly policies
* A beautiful setting to live and work and to take time out after a busy day or week
* Access to a transport network offering easy travel links to the rest of the UK and Europe, as well as international options

**Teaching and Training Opportunities**

NHS Lothian has one of the largest and some of the most successful teaching hospitals in Scotland. We have a growing national and international reputation for medical teaching and research and are recognised as a centre of excellence.

We successfully train medics, nurses and other healthcare professionals from all over the UK and the world, many of whom choose to remain in employment with NHS Lothian and continue to contribute to the development of the organisation, promoting new techniques and going on to train the doctors, surgeons and nurses of tomorrow.

In conjunction with England, Wales, Northern Ireland and NHS Education for Scotland (NES) NHS Lothian recruits junior medical staff both UK and worldwide. We are committed to providing a high standard of medical education and are able to offer training in a variety of specialties at foundation and specialty level, with the majority of training posts in the South East of Scotland rotating through Edinburgh and Lothian hospitals.

Information regarding training with links to the appropriate UK websites can be found at http://www.scotmt.scot.nhs.uk/ and http://nes.scot.nhs.uk/

We enjoy close links with the University of Edinburgh (http://www.ed.ac.uk/home) whose Medical School is renowned for preparing its medical students to become world-class doctors. Alongside NHS Lothian, the University offers state-of-the-art medical teaching facilities at the Chancellors Building, including lecture theatres, seminar rooms, clinical skills training area, computing suites, as well as library facilities at the main university, Western General Hospital and Royal Hospital for Sick Children.

**Our vision, values and strategic aims**

We strive to provide high quality, safe, effective and person centred healthcare, continually improving clinical outcomes for patients who use our services and for our population as a whole.

To achieve this, we are committed to ever-closer integrated working with patients and our other partners in healthcare and to embedding a culture of continuous improvement to ensure that:

* Our staff can contribute fully to achieving the best possible health and healthcare, based on evidence and best practice
* Everything we do maximises efficiency and delivers value for patients and the public

We have identified six strategic aims to ensure we can deliver safe, effective and person-centred health and social care:

1. Prioritise prevention, reduce inequalities and promote longer healthier lives for all
2. Put in place robust systems to deliver the best model of integrated care for our population – across primary, secondary and social care
3. Ensure that care is evidence-based, incorporates best practice and fosters innovation, and achieves seamless and sustainable care pathways for patients
4. Design our healthcare systems to reliably and efficiently deliver the right care at the right time in the most appropriate setting
5. Involve patients and carers as equal partners, enabling individuals to manage their own health and wellbeing and that of their families
6. Use the resources we have – skilled people, technology, buildings and equipment –efficiently and effectively.

The specific areas of focus and actions needed to achieve each of these aims are detailed in “Our Health, our Future: NHS Lothian Strategic Clinical Framework 2013 – 2020,” consultation document which you will find at

www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/OurOrganisation/KeyDocuments.

**Our Health, Our Care, Our Future**

NHS Lothian works to help people live healthier, longer lives – no matter who they are or where in the region they live. Much progress has been made, but significant challenges and opportunities lie ahead. NHS Lothian’s draft strategic plan - Our Health, Our Care, Our Future – sets out what we propose to do over the coming decade to address these challenges and continue to provide a high quality, sustainable healthcare system for the people of Lothian.

In developing the strategic plan we have:

* asked staff and patients what and how things need to change to deliver our aims
* brought together local plans into an integrated whole
* identified opportunities to make better use of existing resources and facilities
* prioritised areas that will make most difference to patients

The plan outlines a range of proposals, which will allow us to:

* improve the quality of care
* improve the health of the population
* provide better value and financial sustainability

Over the coming months we will discuss the need for change and the proposals set out in the plan with staff, patients, communities and other stakeholders. A summary of the plan can be found at

http://www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/OurOrganisation/OurHealthOurCareOurFuture/Documents/NHSL%20Strategy%20Summary%20final.pdf

**Our values and ways of working**

NHS Lothian is determined to improve the way their staff work so they have developed a set of common values and ways of working which they now need to turn into everyday reality - to the benefit of everyone working in the organisation and, most importantly, to the benefit of their patients.

**NHS Lothian – Our Values into Action:**

**Care and Compassion**

* We will demonstrate our compassion and caring through our actions and words
* We will take time to ensure each person feels listened to, secure, understood and is treated compassionately
* We will be visible, approachable and contribute to creating a calm and friendly atmosphere
* We will provide a safe and caring setting for patients and staff, and an efficient, effective and seamless care experience
* We will meet people’s needs for information and involvement in all care, treatment and support decisions.

**Dignity and Respect**

* We will be polite and courteous in our communications and actions
* We will demonstrate respect for dignity, choice, privacy and confidentiality
* We will recognise and value uniqueness and diversity
* We will be sincere, honest and constructive in giving, and open to receiving, feedback
* We will maintain a professional attitude and appearance.

**Quality**

* We will demonstrate a commitment to doing our best
* We will encourage and explore ideas for improvement and innovation
* We will seek out opportunities to enhance our skills aand expertise
* We will work together to achieve high quality services
* We will use our knowledge and enthusiasm to implement positive change and overcome challenges.

**Teamwork**

* We will understand and value each other’s role and contribution
* We will be fair, thoughtful, welcoming and kind to colleagues
* We will offer support, advice and encouragement to others
* We will maximise each other’s potential and contribution through shared learning and development
* We will recognise, share and celebrate our successes, big and small.

**Openness, Honesty and Responsibility**

* We will build trust by displaying transparency and doing what we say we will do
* We will commit to doing what is right – even when challenged
* We will welcome feedback as a means of informing improvements
* We will use our resources and each other’s time efficiently and wisely
* We will maintain and enhance public confidence in our service
* We will be a positive role model.

Throughout the recruitment process candidates will need to demonstrate they meet all of Our Values.

Further information on our values into action can be found at

http://www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/OurOrganisation/Pages/OurValues.aspx

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| **Section 7: Terms and Conditions of Employment** |

For an overview of the terms and conditions visit http://www.msg.scot.nhs.uk/pay/medical.

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| **TYPE OF CONTRACT**  | Fixed Term |
| **GRADE AND SALARY** | As per NHS Scotland terms and conditions of serviceCurrently £36472 to £57349 per annum (pro rata) |
| **HOURS OF WORK** | 40 hours (with a rota commitment) |
| **SUPERANNUATION** | New entrants to NHS Lothian who are aged sixteen but under seventy five will be enrolled automatically into membership of the NHS Pension Scheme. Should you choose to "opt out" arrangements can be made to do this via: www.sppa.gov.uk  |
| **REMOVAL EXPENSES** | Assistance with removal and associated expenses may be awarded |
| **EXPENSES OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT** | NHS candidates who are requested to attend an interview will be given assistance with appropriate travelling expenses. Re-imbursement shall not normally be made to employees who withdraw their application, refuse an offer of appointment. Non NHS employees are not normally awarded travel expenses.  |
| **TOBACCO POLICY** | NHS Lothian operates a No Smoking Policy in all premises and grounds. |
| **DISCLOSURE SCOTLAND** | This post is considered to be in the category of “Regulated Work” and therefore requires a Disclosure Scotland Protection of Vulnerable Groups Scheme (PVG) Membership. |
| **CONFIRMATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO WORK IN THE UK** | NHS Lothian has a legal obligation to ensure that it’s employees, both EEA and non EEA nationals, are legally entitled to work in the United Kingdom. Before any person can commence employment within NHS Lothian they will need to provide documentation to prove that they are eligible to work in the UK. Non EEA nationals will be required to show evidence that either Entry Clearance or Leave to Remain in the UK has been granted for the work which they are applying to do. Where an individual is subject to immigration control under no circumstances will they be allowed to commence until right to work in the UK has been verified. |
| **REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS ACT 1974** | The rehabilitation of Offenders act 1974 allows people who have been convicted of certain criminal offences to regard their convictions as “spent” after the lapse of a period of years. However, due to the nature of work for which you are applying this post is exempt from the provisions of Section 4 of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 by virtue of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions Orders 1975 and 1986). Therefore, applicants are required to disclose information about convictions which for other purposes are “spent” under the provision of the act in the event of employment, failure to disclose such convictions could result in dismissal or disciplinary action by NHS Lothian. Any information given will be completely confidential. |
| **MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE** | In terms of NHS Circular 1989 (PCS) 32 dealing with Medical Negligence the Health Board does not require you to subscribe to a Medical Defence Organisation. Health Board indemnity will cover only Health Board responsibilities. It may, however, be in your interest to subscribe to a defence organisation in order to ensure you are covered for any work, which does not fall within the scope of the indemnity scheme. |
| **NOTICE** | Employment is subject to one month notice on either side, subject to appeal against dismissal. |
| **PRINCIPAL BASE OF WORK** | You may be required to work at any of NHS Lothian sites as part of your role. |
| **SOCIAL MEDIDA POLICY** | You are required to adhere to NHS Lothian’s Social Media Policy, which highlights the importance of confidentiality, professionalism and acceptable behaviours when using social media. It sets out the organisation’s expectations to safeguard staff in their use of social media.  |

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| **Section 8: General Information for Candidates** |

**Data Protection Act 1988**

Please note that any personal information obtained from you throughout the recruitment process will be collected, stored and used in line with the Data Protection Act 1998. Information will be available to the recruiting manager and to Human Resources staff.

**Counter Fraud**

NHS Lothian is under a duty to protect the public funds it administers, and to this end will use the information you have provided on your application form for the prevention and detection of fraud. It will also share this information with other bodies responsible for auditing or administering public funds for these purposes. More detail on this responsibility is on NHS Lothian’s intranet (Counter-Fraud and Theft page) and further information is available at http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/work/nfi.php.

**References**

All jobs are only offered following receipt of three satisfactory written references. At least one reference must be from your current/most recent employer or your course tutor if you are currently a student. If you have not been employed or have been out of employment for a considerable period of time, you may give the name of someone who knows you well enough to confirm information given and to comment on your ability to do the job.

**Disclosure Scotland**

Where a Disclosure or Protection of Vulnerable Groups Check is deemed necessary for a post, the successful candidate will be required to undergo an appropriate check. Further details on the Recruitment of Ex-Offenders are available from the recruitment centre.

**Work Visa**

If you require a Work Visa, please seek further guidance on current immigration rules, which can be found on the Home Office website www.ind.homeoffice.gov.uk

**Job Interview Guarantee Scheme**

As a Disability Symbol user, we recognise the contribution that all individuals can make to the organisation regardless of their abilities. As part of our ongoing commitment to extending employment opportunities, all applicants who are disabled and who meet the minimum criteria expressed in the job description will be guaranteed an interview.

**Overseas Registration and Qualifications**

NHS Lothian will check you have the necessary professional registration and qualifications for this role. You will need to provide an official translation of qualifications notarized by a solicitor of your overseas qualifications to be checked by the recruiting panel. Please ensure that this is available before applying for the post.

**Workforce Equality Monitoring**

NHS Lothian is committed to supporting and promoting dignity at work by creating an inclusive working environment. We believe that all staff should be able to fulfil their potential in a workplace free from discrimination and harassment where diverse skills, perspectives and backgrounds are valued.

In order to measure and monitor our performance as an equal opportunities employer, it is important that we collect, store and analyse data about staff. Personal, confidential information will be collected and used to help us to understand the make-up of our workforce that will enable us to make comparisons locally, regionally and nationally.

**Equal Opportunities Policy Statement**

NHS Lothian considers that it has an important role to play as a major employer and provider of services in Lothian and accepts its obligations both legal and moral by stating commitment to the promotion of equal opportunities and elimination of discrimination.

The objectives of its policy are that no person or employee receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of sex, disability, marital status, age, race (including colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin), creed, sexuality, responsibility for dependants, political party or trade union membership or activity, HIV/AIDS status or is disadvantaged by conditions or requirements which cannot be shown to be justifiable.

Our Equal Opportunities in Employment policy can be viewed at:

 www.nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk/WorkingWithUs/Employment/Pages/EqualOpportunities.aspx

**NHS Scotland Application Process**

* The purpose of an application form is to help evidence that the applicant has all the requirements applicable to carry out the job applied for.
* Once in receipt of the application pack it is essential to read both the job description and the person specification to gain a full understanding of what the job entails and the minimum criteria required.
* Please note for equal opportunity purposes NHS Lothian do not accept CV’s as a form of application.
* Your personal information will not be sent with the application for shortlisting. The application form will be identified by the candidate number only to ensure that no applicant will be unfairly discriminated against.
* Please complete all sections of the application form. Those sections that are not relevant please indicate ‘not applicable’, do not leave blank.
* Please feel free to use additional paper if required. Please do not add your name to any additional information provided; secure it to the relevant section and the Recruitment Administrator will add a candidate number.

**Please return completed applications in Word Format by midnight on the close date to** **medical.personnel@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk**

**You will receive an automated response acknowledging receipt of your application.**