**Green Vale Health Primary Care Network.**

Position: Community Paramedic

Hours: 37.5 Per Week (Full Time)

Grade: Subject to experience but within AFC 7

Green Vale Health Primary Care Network is a newly formed PCN in Central Bedfordshire. Our mission is to improve health and care and to meet everyday health and care needs for people by connecting primary care systems and using creative thinking to develop, improve and support great local services.

Our PCN is split over two sites, Flitwick Surgery and Marston Forest Healthcare in modern facilities. We have a combined list size of approx. 25000 patients with some 243 care home beds. We are not one of the larger PCN’s, but this smaller patient number allows us to provide first class healthcare and the ability to target diverse healthcare needs.

The sites are only a short distance apart (5 miles) but service the main population areas of Flitwick, Marston Moretaine and Cranfield as well as several surrounding villages in a rural setting, with Bedford, Milton Keynes and Luton only a few miles away.

Being a newly formed PCN we are looking to recruit staff through the ARRS funding stream to work with our existing staff to further develop the services we can offer our patients. All our vacancies are compliant the standard NHS Terms and Conditions of employment and inclusion in the NHS Pension Scheme. Salaries are dependent on skills and experience, but we would expect them to be within the AfC bandings for the role.

**About the Role**

Green Vale PCN is seeking to recruit an enthusiastic and committed, full-time paramedic to our Primary Care Network.

**Job Summary**

Under the supervision of a GP, the post holder will provide care for the presenting patient, within the PCN, focusing on history taking, clinical assessment, diagnosis, treatment, and evaluation of care. They will:

* To deliver a high standard of patient care using advanced autonomous clinical skills with in-depth theoretical knowledge and evidence-based practice working with the support and guidance from the GPs and other independent clinicians working within the PCN MDT.
* To manage a clinical caseload and deal with presenting patients needs in a general practice and home visit setting.
* To provide a first point of contact within the practice for patients presenting with undifferentiated, undiagnosed problems, making use of skills in history taking, physical examination, problem-solving and clinical decision-making to establish a diagnosis and management plan
* To provide assessment, treatment and diagnosis at point of first contact by attending to patients in a variety of clinical or non-clinical settings according to patients needs
* To undertake home visits in accordance with the relevant protocols
* To refer patients to an alternative care setting or treat and discharge as appropriate, including signposting patients to other community or voluntary services, PCN services and to self-care.
* Be able to:
* Perform specialist health checks and reviews.
* Perform investigatory procedures as required.
* Undertake the collection of pathological specimens including intravenous blood samples, swabs, etc.
* Perform a domiciliary (home) visit.
* Provide an alternative model to urgent and same day home visits for the PCN and undertake clinical audits.
* Communicate at all levels across PCNs and other organisations, ensuring an effective, patient-centred service.
* Communicate proactively and effectively with all colleagues across the multidisciplinary team, attending and contributing to meetings as required and accepting referrals and referring to specialist’s services where appropriate.
* Assess, diagnose, plan, implement and evaluate treatment and or interventions and care for patients presenting with an undifferentiated diagnosis, and patients with complex needs within the clinical and domiciliary setting.
* Understand and actively take part in the achievement of all contractual markers relating to the PCN and GP Surgery.
* Implement and participate in vaccination programmes as appropriate.
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**About the Candidate**

The appropriate individual will be a qualified and registered paramedic with experience in an acute response/emergency setting.  All applicants should have/be:

* Educated to degree/diploma level in paramedicine or equivalent experience.
* Healthcare professional, with an active registration with the relevant regulatory bodies.
* Completed two years ‘consolidation of learning’ period as a newly qualified paramedic.
* A minimum of three years’ experience as a band 6 (equivalent) paramedic.
* Working towards developing masters level or equivalent capability in paramedic areas of practice and has completed and been signed off formally within the clinical pillar competencies of the paramedic FCP/AP roadmap to practice.
* Experience of working as a senior healthcare professional undertaking home visits and/or experience in an emergency setting or clinic base.
* Working knowledge of SystmOne would be advantageous as would experience of ordering and interpreting tests on ICE.

**Disclosure and Barring Service Check**

Please note this post is subject to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (Exceptions Order) 1975 and as such it will be necessary for a submission for Disclosure to be made to the Disclosure and Barring Service to check for any previous criminal convictions.